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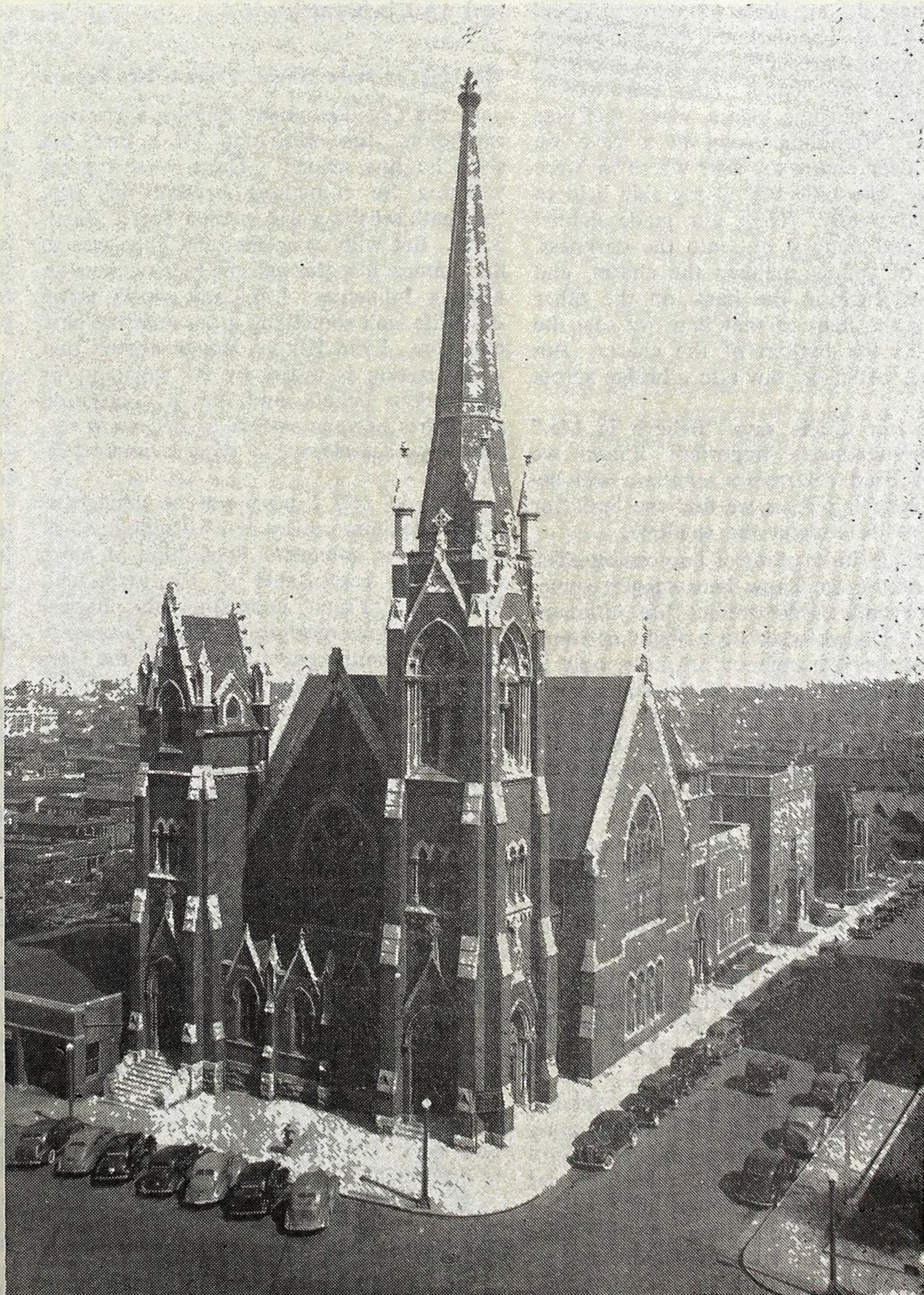
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*From the summits of the Smokies in the East to the shelving shores of the Mississippi in the West, the First Baptist Church of Nashville welcomes the Baptists of Tennessee to their Eightieth Annual Convention on November 9-11, and is most happy once more to swap hospitality for inspiration.*

—W. F. Powell, Pastor  
First Baptist Church

*The sessions of the Tennessee Baptist Convention will be held November 9-11 at First Baptist Church, Nashville. The Pastor's Conference precedes the Convention.*





# Beyond the Shadows

The shadows were deepening when Jesus said, "In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:2-3). The darkness of Gethsemane, the betrayal, the crucifixion, were about to envelop the little band. They were afraid. Who isn't, to some extent when darkness deepens? Stumbling along in a cave we knew a deep chasm lay near where we were walking. The little boy at my side held to my hand tightly. Then our guide lighted a flare and flung it out into the darkness. Its arc of yellow spanned the chasm, and the flare stuck in the bank on the other side. In the light of that flare we saw the stream at the bottom of the chasm. But what was better we saw also a bridge across it.

Jesus our Guide says "Believe in Me." How tremendously important *Whom* we believe! That determines *what* we will believe. Believing Jesus we find the basis for belief in life beyond the shadows.

There are intimations of immortality. The stages of life we know here suggest something beyond. This present life intimates another. Do we walk up a flight of steps, made of the years of our life here, only to find nothing at the top of the stairs but a leap into oblivion? The normal mind revolts at the thought of annihilation. In health and prosperity some may dismiss the idea of life beyond. But when the clouds of death overcast the sky they look for a star. The incompleteness of this life demands another life beyond. Handel felt the music of "The Messiah" was only an echo of heavenly music he had heard in his dreams and that he "would finish it up there." "Up there" life's incompleteness will be complete, life's wrongs righted, life's sorrows know solace. "There shall be no night there." "God shall wipe away all tears."

But let us admit such arguments for life beyond which we find in our reasoning faculty, our consciousness of the incompleteness and injustice of this life, our yearning for something better, all to be but man's feeble groping in the dark. He comes to the edge of the river of death and cannot peer across that dark stream. He knows not what lies beyond. Then Jesus comes. Jesus takes the glowing light of his words and casts them across the very river of death

and lights up the farther shore. Face to face with the fact of death, Jesus says, "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God; believe in me." So when we come to the shadows of life; shadows of sin, sorrow, suffering, and death, Jesus is there to reveal what is beyond.

## **The Light of Jesus Reveals There is Life Beyond**

In the Old Testament appears a growing revelation. Job cried out, "If a man die shall he live again?" There was a great yearning for something beyond this life. "He hath set the world in their heart" (Eccl. 3:11). But with some the only hope was to find immortality through the race or through abiding influence. Life isn't worth going on if life isn't something more than the here and now. Lynn Harold Hough argued that a civilization is tested by its capacity for tremendous beliefs, and that a civilization which has become unable to believe in immortality, ceases to deserve immortality.

But you and I need not be concerned about the immortality of civilization, or of the race, or influence. Something of more concern is immortality of the individual. When Dr. Truett addressing the Baptist World Alliance meeting in Berlin, Germany, asked, "Does the grave end it all?" the German interpreter, failing at first to catch the meaning of the words, said "Yes." I well remember my shock as I heard it. If it is the end, then we are stripped of strength, patience, courage, purpose in life before the awful reality of death.

But Jesus tells us not to fear. There is something beyond. So to the man dying on a cross beside him, a man who trusted Christ crucified, he said, "This day shalt thou be with me in Paradise." There is no waiting for life beyond until some far-off fixed day. Life continues through death. Death is like a door through which we pass, rather than a room in which we remain. When at death the soul leaves the body it is immediately, consciously, with the Savior on Whom it has believed. That is why Paul says, "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord."

## **The Light in Jesus Shows Us Mansions Beyond**

"In my Father's house are many mansions." Think of the meaning of this revelation. Mansions are dwelling places. The Father's house includes this world and

something beyond. God is here in this world. This world is one of the dwelling places of God, but God is not shut up to this world alone, as he is not shut out of it either. Jesus tells us that God's House has many mansions, abiding places. This reminds us that there are other rooms we have not yet seen. In death life does not cease. It passes through a doorway into another room.

## **The Light in Jesus Reveals That There is Divine Preparation in the Beyond for the Lord's People**

"I go to prepare a place for you." That tells us of the loving forethought and loving work done to meet the needs of those who follow Jesus. Heaven is real. Heaven is a prepared place.

Let us not overlook the fact of divine preparation evident in this present world and life—preparation God made for us. Have you ever considered how amazingly suited to life is this present world? God looked on his creation and called it good.

But infinitely more is the preparation for the blessing of life there. This is our hope in Christ, whose promise we believe. He has gone as a Forerunner within the veil. "Jesus entered for us" (Heb. 6:20) to make ready for us, that we too might come into the joy of the Father's house.

When we expect a guest we love, and have written to invite him, we prepare his room, in anticipation of his arrival. Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you." That work of preparation for us sinners to be in God's House, enjoying the blessing and glory of fellowship with Him, was a work of love for us, but filled with sorrow and anguish for Jesus. It meant Gethsemane, Calvary and the tomb.

## **The Light in Jesus Reveals Heaven as a Place**

Heaven is dim and unreal to some because they forget Jesus' words here: "I go to prepare a place." Where this place is, we know not, save that it is where we shall be with Christ. Sin will be no more. Death will be no more. Sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Frankly I think we need to think about Heaven. Ian Maclaren rightly says, "One must be affected with spiritual stupidity or cursed with incurable frivolity who never thinks of that new state on which he may enter at any time, nor speculates concerning its conditions."





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Heaven was real to Jesus. He was returning Home. His words light the way for the lonely and sorrowing.

### The Light in Jesus Reveals That There is a Home in the Father's House

The question comes, "Shall we know our loved ones and friends in heaven?"

Heaven is Home. There will be both reunion and recognition there. There is a difference between a house and a home. People may live in the same house yet not know one another. But those in the same home know and love one another. Because Heaven is our Father's Home, fear is put to flight. With Paul we say, "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord." (II Cor. 5:8)

Relationships with those we have loved here will be even closer, deeper, more beautiful in heaven. Since all sin will be left behind, all will be in closer relationship to God. Sympathy, understanding, kindness and love are limited here in many ways. There they will have nothing to hinder them.

No one word can completely describe Heaven to us: it is a kingdom, a commonwealth, a church, a communion. "To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, and to Jesus" (Heb. 12:23).

Not only shall we know those we have known in this present world, but we shall know and recognize in the world to come, those whom we have never seen on this

earth—Moses, David, Isaiah, Paul, John and the great of the ages.

Above all, the supreme blessing will be knowing Jesus our Lord in a yet richer, larger and more glorious way. George MacDonald rightly says, "The world beyond the gates of death is I suspect a far more homelike place to those who enter it than this world is to us." Lewis Carroll likens it to a child awakening from a frightening dream to find mother raising the shades and letting in the sunshine. And he goes on to say that death is like that, a morning when God's hand shall let up the shades and we shall see the Sun of Righteousness!

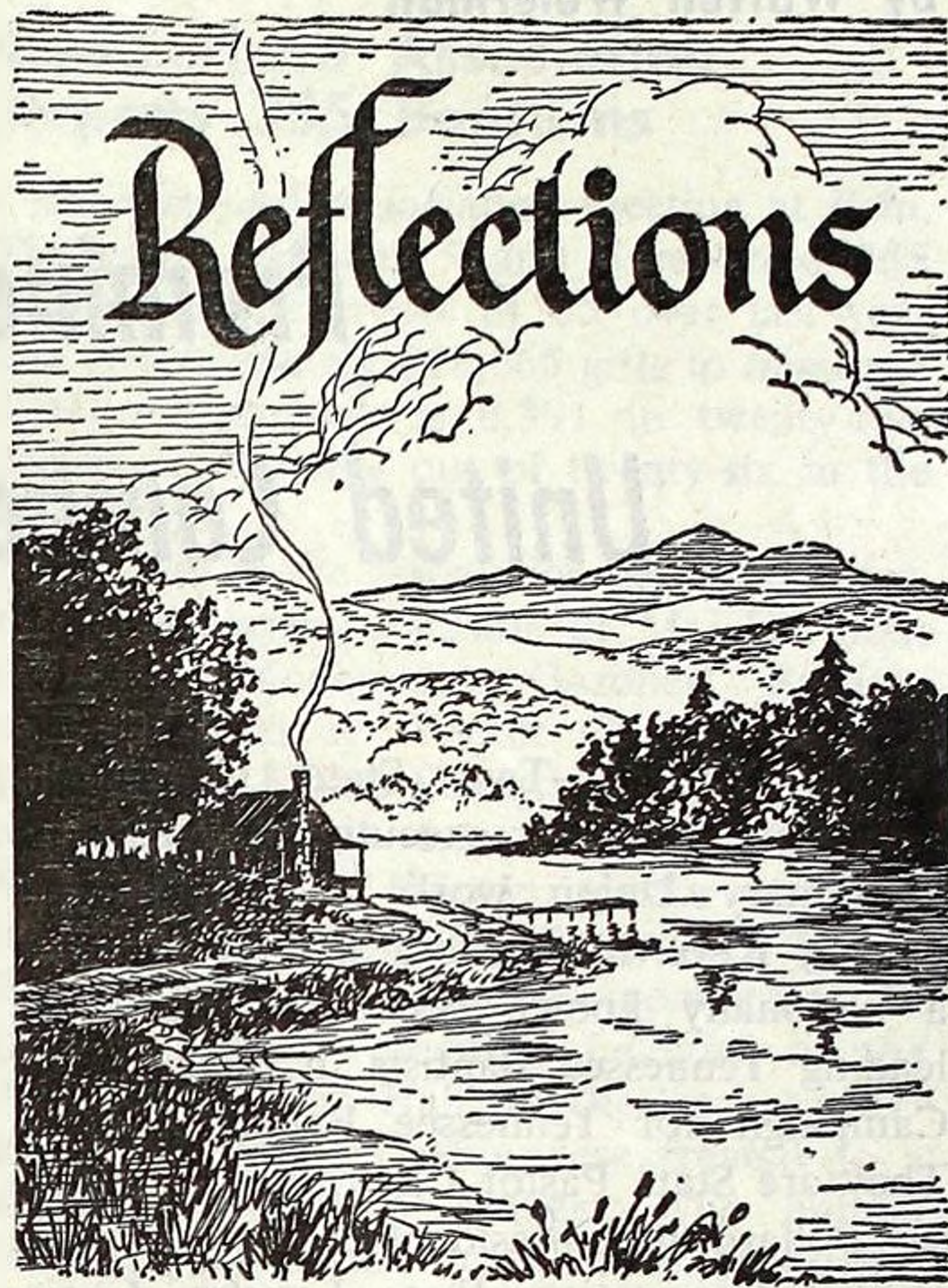
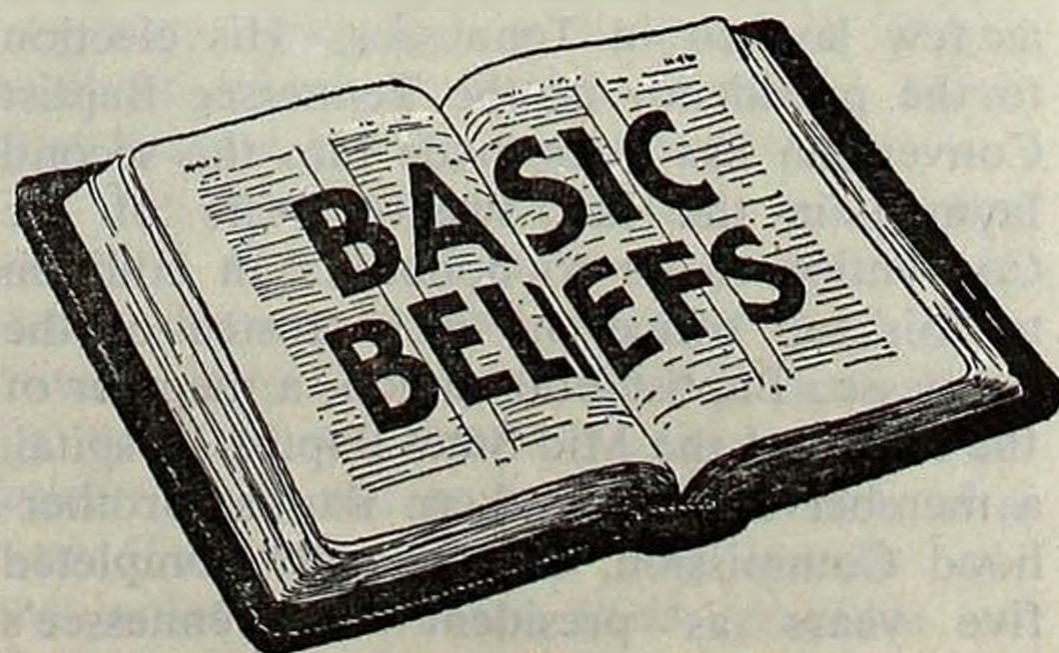
### The Light of Jesus Goes with Us Through the Shadows

When we come to the Valley of the Shadow loved ones can accompany us just so far, but no farther. No human being can go with a loved one to sustain through that experience. At the door of death we are subdued with the sense of our powerless.

Though human help fails, Jesus will never fail to go with us and keep us in the dark way. "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me."

When my Father died, my oldest brother took his place and with all the family there in the home, he opened the Bible, as my father had done before him, and read for us the 23rd psalm. Later came the time when I sat beside that same brother's bed as he walked on beyond the sound of my voice, beyond where he could any longer see me, the shadows deepening into the darkness of death. But he was not alone. One went with him, One who had gone to Calvary for him, One who had already met and conquered death for him. Even as my brother breathed his last, even as he passed through the valley of the shadow of death, the morning began to break.

Why do we term it the valley of "the shadow?" A shadow can only be cast by a light beyond some object. So a "shadow" is a deficiency of light within an illuminated region, or the region of apparent darkness on a surface. Without light there can be no shadow. The more brilliant the light, the deeper the shadow when an object intervenes. What is death? All the shadow falls here; the Light is over there. The path of the just is as a shining light that grows brighter. Jesus brought life and immortality to light. Death holds no defeat for God's child. "Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (I Cor. 15:57).



Life lived just to satisfy yourself never satisfies anybody.—*Information.*

Living life is like cutting an image from a block of raw marble. One must dream out the beauty, then cut it from the stone. A false stroke may spoil it—and one has no right to spoil it. When finished, a life, like a statue, is the realized image of a dream. An institution, an empire, an achievement, a work of art—each is but the sculptured picture of an ideal.—Clarence E. Flynn, *You.*

The nearest that man can approach truth is an interpretation of what he has observed and experienced. Truth remains constant, dependable, consistent; man's apprehension is partial, fluctuating. We say, "This was true yesterday, but false today." But accurately observed it would be corrected to state, "Yesterday's interpretation disagrees with today's discoveries."—Donald McNichols, "Optimism and Academic Respectability," *Association of American Colleges Bulletin.*

TV today is largely a time-killer and a time-waster. Surely the technical marvel of TV, the greatest and most powerful method of mass communication ever devised by man, deserves better treatment than this. To debase this potentially magnificent medium by insistence on filling the air with cheap humor, cheap quiz shows and cheap gimmicks, masquerading as entertainment, is like playing honky-tonk tunes on a Stradivarius violin.—Henry Salomon, NBC-TV documentary producer.

An old Lancashire woman was listening to the reasons that the neighbors were giving for their minister's success. They spoke of his gifts, of his style, of his manner. "Nay," she said, "I tell you what it is. Yon man is very thick with the Almighty."—*Moody Monthly.*



# Prominent Tennessee Baptists Head United Campaign for Tennessee Baptist Schools

NASHVILLE—Two State Convention presidents, a former executive of Woman's Missionary Union work in the State, a leading Knoxville pastor, and the head of a nationally known accounting firm are leading Tennessee Baptists in their United Campaign for Tennessee Baptist Schools. They are State Pastor Chairman, Dr. Ramsey Pollard, past president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention; State Layman Chairman, A. Roy Greene, current president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention; State Woman Chairman, Miss Mary Northington, for thirty years Executive Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union of Tennessee; Associate Pastor Chairman, Dr. W. Walter Warmath of Fifth Avenue Church, Knoxville; and State Advance Gifts Chairman, Mr. Albert B. Maloney, senior partner of the Nashville firm of Certified Public Accountants which bears his name.



POLLARD

Dr. Ramsey Pollard was born in Cleburn, Texas, surrendered to preach while attending a meeting in Dallas, and, except for time out to attend Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, he has been widely active in the work of his high calling as a pastor, evangelist, and as a leader of vital local, state, and southwide Baptist causes.

For the past eight years, Dr. Pollard has served as chairman of the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, is serving his second term as president of the Pastor's Conference of the Southern Baptist Convention, and is a member of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

Besides giving addresses at the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami and Houston, one of which was the Convention sermon, he was Baptist Hour speaker for the first quarter of this year and is constantly in demand throughout the Southland at evangelistic conferences and revivals.

Dr. Pollard held pastorates in Tampa, Florida, Hendley, and Fort Worth, Texas, and is now in his fifteenth year as pastor of Broadway Church, Knoxville.



WARMATH

Dr. William Walter Warmath, working with Dr. Pollard as Associate Pastor Chairman for the Campaign, was born in Humboldt, Tennessee, attended the public schools there, and began his higher education at the University of Tennessee from which he transferred to enroll in Cumberland University to begin the study of law. Responding to the call to preach, he finished his undergraduate work at Union University, and received his Th.M. degree at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1939. He received his Doctor of Divinity degree from Union University in 1952.

Dr. Warmath is a member of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, and a member of the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. All of Dr. Warmath's pastorates have been in Tennessee: Selmer, Lexington, Jackson, and Knoxville, where he has been pastor of the Fifth Avenue Church since 1948.



GREENE

A Roy Greene, Layman Chairman for the United Campaign, is a product of Clarksville, Tennessee, Montgomery County High School, and many years of practical experience in business. He was for a number of years the owner and operator of the Green Hill Market and the Richland Markets (grocery stores), and is now owner of the Double Cola Bottling Company, Nashville.

Mr. Green has been active in Baptist affairs in his home church and in the state as few laymen in Tennessee. His election to the presidency of the Tennessee Baptist Convention last year made him the second layman in the last twenty years of the Convention to be so honored. In addition to this top office, he is a trustee of the Tennessee Baptist Foundation, a member of the Board of the Mid State Baptist Hospital, a member of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission, and recently completed five years as president of Tennessee's

Brotherhood Association. All of these extensive duties in larger Baptist work do not keep him from serving as a faithful deacon and Sunday school teacher in the Woodmont Church in Nashville.



NORTHINGTON

Miss Mary Northington is another native of Clarksville, educated in the schools there, and is a graduate of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School in Louisville.

Perhaps more widely known than any other woman among Tennessee Baptists, Miss Mary, as she is affectionately called by her many friends, during her thirty years as Executive Secretary built the Woman's Missionary Union work in Tennessee from its modest beginnings into one of the strongest in the Southern Baptist Convention.

As Woman Chairman for the State, Miss Northington brings to the leadership of the campaign an unusually high degree of experience and knowledge of organizational work.



MALONEY

Albert B. Maloney, was born and spent his early years in Robards, Kentucky. Following high school he attended business college, The Business Training Institute, and the International Accountants Society. He was certified as a public accountant by the State of Tennessee in 1939.

Senior partner of the Albert B. Maloney and Company of Nashville, the largest accounting firm in the state of Tennessee, Mr. Maloney is a member of the board of directors of several corporations, and an active member of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce, Tennessee Society of CPAs, and National Association of Cost Accountants. Besides his membership in several civic clubs, he has been a faithful member of Belmont Heights Church for over twenty years and has served much of that time as auditor of the church and a member of the church building finance committee.



# A Church Within Easy Reach

by Charles L. McKay

It was my privilege a few days ago to talk to a retired Methodist missionary from Korea who had spent forty years in that area. One of the outstanding things that I remember he said was, "You Baptists are starting new churches all over Korea." Praise the Lord! Let God hasten the day when Baptists will start churches all over the world.

People of America have supplied different countries with the things that they thought they needed—Japan with scrap iron, Russia with relief kits, China with food and raiment—but all the time their deepest need America did not supply.

## In Business with God

Growing churches is the biggest business on earth. That is the thing that God is engaged in. Christ died to make it possible for us to grow churches. The intercessory work of Jesus Christ is on behalf of his followers—his churches. He commissioned his followers to build churches. "As my father hath sent me even so, send I you" is his command to us. One has a part in the biggest and most important business in the world when he is engaged in growing New Testament churches.

More churches are needed. Twenty-one million people living within the territory where we work, are not within easy reach of a New Testament church. The present churches could not minister to their membership to say nothing of reaching the unreached.

It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save people. New Testament churches are preaching stations. The biggest business in the world is growing churches—bigger churches, better churches, more churches for the salvation of the lost, the edifying of the saved and unto the praise and glory of God the Father.

The business world will see to it that grocery stores are established within easy reach of every member of every family in every community. Business men with vision and wisdom will make the material necessities of life available for all. Commodities of every sort are put within easy reach of every member of every family in every community.

The devil has seen to it that his cohorts put places of amusement and houses of sin on every hand so that they are within easy reach of every member of every family. There is a tavern for every 326 persons in the United States, or one tavern for every ninety-six families. It is reported that there are 213,955 more taverns than churches in the nation.

God has placed the responsibility in the hands of his children to see that preaching

stations, teaching stations, mission Sunday schools, are placed within easy reach of every member of every family in every community. New Testament churches are the hope of this world. What the world needs is Jesus. The church is to preach and teach the message of Jesus Christ to the world.

## Sponsoring New Work

Every church should mother one or more churches. New churches reach people faster. Places are available. Growing New Testament churches is after the New Testament pattern. Fourteen was the average net gain for all the Sunday schools in Southern Baptist Churches last year while new Sunday schools had a net gain average of more than sixty-five each. The Jerusalem Church, the Antioch church, went out and all Asia heard the word of God. Before all the people in the Convention territory hear it we must start more churches.

Southern Baptists are well able to organize and maintain 25,000 additional churches. They know how to start and grow them. They have the money necessary. They are endued with the message that it takes to grow great churches. They have the potential workers available and willing yet sitting on the side lines, many of them saying, "No man hath hired me, Lord."

## Why More Churches?

New Testament churches develop the best that is within people. They make communities better places in which to live. Churches help parents bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. New Testament churches make it easier for God to call out those that he has called.

Churches are needed to maintain Christian schools, Christian hospitals. Were it not for our Christian schools, operated and maintained by New Testament churches we would not have trained leadership to do the things that God wants done. Churches provide missionaries and means for missions.

More churches make people more church conscious. People are enlisted in larger numbers when a church is near. More churches put more people to work.

It has been discovered that most boys and girls who aren't in Sunday school and church are out beyond practical reach of a church. They live in unchurched areas. People who go to Sunday school with any regularity, do not go to jail. Activities of a New Testament church give people opportunities to express their gratitude to God.

## Cumberland Association Reports 355 Baptisms

Cumberland Association meeting at Erin, Tennessee, October 5 and 6 reported 355 baptisms, an increase of 85 over last year and approximately \$28,665 gifts to missions. Total membership is 6,391 in twenty-five churches reporting out of twenty-six in the association.

Officers of the association are Moderator, Fulton Robertson, pastor at Mt. Hermon; Assistant Moderator, Gardner Burden, pastor at Garcey Avenue Church, Clarksville; Clerk, Elliott Pollard, who has served in this capacity for many years; and Treasurer, W. C. Skinner, pastor at Cumberland Drive Church, Clarksville. Pastor Will Edd Langford and the membership of the Erin Church secured facilities of the American Legion Hall for the large gathering of messengers who were treated to a bountiful barbecue dinner. The annual sermon was brought by Pastor E. H. Greenwell of New Providence Church. Missionary Dallas Hill had provided a good display of books and periodicals. We appreciate the opportunity of meeting with this association for part of its first-day session.—R.N.O.

Rev. H. E. Woodward writes, "After eight years in Oklahoma, I have resigned my work there and am at present in Memphis waiting and praying for the Lord to open up a pastorate for me." Bro. Woodward, a native of Memphis, was reared at First Church there. During his student days at Union University, Jackson, and Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, he pastored churches in West Tennessee, was at Bells from 1936-1939 going from that pastorate to Tabernacle at Paducah, Kentucky, and then into the Navy chaplaincy in 1942 for three years. He is at 481 Ellsworth Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

We were privileged to worship with Woodmont Church, Nashville, October 10 at the early morning service. A large congregation heard Pastor G. Allen West, Jr. at this 8:15 o'clock service. Overflow congregations were present at the 11:00 o'clock service, the previous Sunday morning and also at the Sunday night service. This thirteen-year-old church has experienced a marvelous growth and now looks forward to continued expansion and the erection of its Gothic sanctuary. Pastor West began revival services with First Church, Lewisburg, October 11.—R.N.O.

## Wait! Wait!

MIAMI, Fla.—(BP)—Pastors and others who plan to attend the Southern Baptist Convention here next May 18-21, have been requested by James W. Parrish, chairman of the committee on hotel reservations, not to make request for hotel space until the housing registration blanks appear in their state papers.



# Next Sunday's Lesson

by O. L. RIVES, Professor of Religious Education, Carson-Newman College

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TEXTS: Proverbs 4; 6:20 to 7:27; 17:1; 19:13-14; 31:10-31 (Larger)  
Prov. 4:1-4; 6:20-23; 19:13-14; 31:10-12 (Printed).

## Guidance for Family Living

Will the family as an institution in society finally become extinct? Many serious-minded people are asking this question and questions related to it, for it is fairly obvious that there are many threats to its stability in contemporary life. But it is just as obvious that the family will continue to live so long as the Bible lives in the hearts and lives of people. What guidance does the Bible, and particularly the book of Proverbs, offer for family living? To put it another way, what are the values to be derived from the right sort of a home?

### Instruction from Fathers (Prov. 4:1-4)

It is the duty of the father to teach his children the right sort of doctrine, at least the fundamentals of right and wrong. He is to transmit these fundamentals with the same degree of fidelity that they have been transmitted to him by his own father, always measuring them alongside of the teaching of the Bible itself. There is no inheritance that he can give to his offspring comparable to these. He may perchance will to his children all kinds of property but if he fails in this regard his inheritance will prove to be worthless. A father who teaches his children to be honest in all of the affairs of life, both by precept and example, has done much for them as well as for society of which they are to be a part. A child who learns to tell the truth will, other factors being equal, make a useful citizen of society. On the other hand, an untruthful person is a disappointment for all concerned. In the home and within the circle of the family is the ideal place for the child to receive good moral instruction.

### Obedience of Children (Prov. 6:20-23)

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right" (Eph. 6:1). Both parents are honored by the obedience of their children. Such children reflect credit upon those responsible for their rearing. But this concept cuts squarely across some of the current teachings in our land. For instance, that doctrine that says to let the child have his way without interference (obeying or disobeying as he pleases) is not in keeping with these verses. Is it any wonder, then, that we have such widespread juvenile delinquency? Such a doctrine must, if followed on a broad scale, produce a generation of adults that requires someone to manage their affairs. Such a doctrine paves the way inevitably, for the dictator. Communists would delight in a situation where people would require regimentation and dictation, where the masses of the population would

be conditioned for the rule of the whip. We could learn much from wild animals on this score. For even the mother of raccoons, or of opossums, teaches her young absolute obedience for the sake of their safety in the event of the approach of an enemy. A family that fails to furnish guidance in terms of obedience for its young and immature is failing to follow the clear teachings of the Bible.

### Reward to Parents (Prov. 19:13, 14)

What a tragedy for parents to bring children to physical maturity without emotional stability and moral integrity! The writer of these verses describes such a situation as "a foolish son." He says such a person is "the calamity of his father." But if the child is able to take care of himself, with all that this connotes, what a joy and reward for the parents! When the father and mother have reached old age, ready soon to depart this life, is there any reward that will take the place of knowing that their children will carry on where they have left

off and complete what they have been forced to leave unfinished? The satisfaction of seeing a worthy son or daughter engaged in a worthy enterprise, conforming to principles instilled in their youth by faithful and patient parents, is priceless.

### Honor for Mothers (Prov. 31:10-12)

These three verses merely introduce the mother of honor. The rest of the chapter should by all means be read and pondered. Space limitations necessitate comment upon only this introduction. A woman of Christian character possesses the spirit of motherhood even though she may be denied motherhood in actuality. Such a person loves and delights to care for others, especially those who are unable to care for themselves. In her heart are stored the treasures of the race as well as the deep secrets of the heavenly Father. A mother, or one who has the attitudes of a mother, is respected and honored in proportion as she honors and follows the Lord Jesus Christ. For He honored and exalted motherhood as has no other teacher the world has ever seen and heard. Where Jesus is known and loved, mothers are honored and loved. Is it any wonder that women are devoted to Him as they are? In the home and within the family circle, the mother reigns as queen and counselor and friend. Her diligence, wisdom and foresight there (as the remaining verses of this chapter indicate) bless all who touch her. In honoring her, "give her of the fruit of her hands."





As you read today's friendly letters, draw a circle around the age of each writer. Put lines under the hobbies of these new friends. These marks will help you find the pen pal nearest your age, one with a hobby in which you might be interested.

Every person whose letter appears in today's column might choose at least one pen pal from the other letters printed.

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am fifteen years old, in the second year of high school. I go to church at Jackson, Tennessee. I will answer every letter I receive.

BEULAH PHILLIPS

Lake City  
Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a member of the First Baptist Church of Alcoa. My pastor is Brother W. H. Lodwick.

I was fifteen years old September 22 and am a sophomore at Alcoa High School. Music is my hobby.

I have a few pen pals, but would like to have more, between the ages of fifteen and eighteen.

BETTY JO MCGILL

1329 Dalton St.  
Alcoa, Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

This is my first time to write to you. I like to read the letters from boys and girls.

I am nine years old. My birthday is August 27. I go to school at Everetts and am in the fourth grade. I go to Sunday school and church at the McGinley Street Baptist Mission. I will answer every letter I get.

JOANNE LEWIS

1227 Hill St.  
Maryville, Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a boy fourteen years old. I go to Labelle Baptist Church. I am in the eighth grade at Lauderdale School. I would like to have boys and girls write to me.

PAUL HARDY

747 Alston Ave.  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

This is my first time to write you. I am ten years old. My birthday is September 14. I am a member of the East Ridge Baptist Church. I am in the fifth grade at school. I would like to have many pen pals and will answer every letter.

JUDY BURCHFIELD

5611 Oakdale Ave.  
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am eight years old. My birthday is December 23. I go to Leatherwood Baptist

Church. My pastor is Brother Bryant. I would like to have a pen pal between the ages of eight and twelve.

MARGARET JOYCE CARTER

Waynesboro, Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a girl eight years old. I am a Christian. I go to the Berclair Baptist Church. My pastor is Brother E. B. Bowen. I would like to have some pen pals.

JEAN CLAY MCKEE

583 Berclair St.  
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a boy fourteen years old. My birthday is August 11. I am a member of the Maury City Baptist Church. I have a brother and sister. My sister is a Christian. I enjoy reading the Young South every week. My hobby is breaking and riding horses. I live on a big farm and would like some pen pals. I am in the ninth grade at school.

GERRY GILLILAND

Route 3  
Halls, Tenn.



Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a girl seventeen years old. I go to the First Baptist Church in McKenzie. Our pastor is Brother L. H. Hatcher.

I go to McKenzie High School where I am a Junior. I like baseball and football. They are my favorite sports.

I will answer every letter I get.

NANCY HAWKS

614 Newsom St.  
McKenzie, Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am fourteen years old. I go to Donelson High School. This is my first time to write you. I would like to have some pen pals between the ages of fourteen and sixteen. I have one pen pal. My birthday is May 28. My hobbies are basketball and skating. I go to New Hope Baptist Church.

EVELYN JOYCE JACKSON

Hermitage, Tenn.

Today would be the *best* time to write your get-acquainted letter to the new pen pal which you have just chosen. It would be an excellent time to write to *me* too!

AUNT POLLY

Belcourt at Sixteenth Ave., So.  
Nashville, Tennessee



The only thing wrong with that dollar that used to buy three times as much was that you didn't have it.

In a certain New York school a teacher, an energetic advocate of "Safety First," opened her class each morning by asking, "Children, what would you do if fire were to break out in this building?"

They would reply in chorus, "We would rise in our places, step into the aisle, and march quietly out of the building."

One morning, the class was honored by the presence of the well-known and beloved Dr. Henry van Dyke.

The teacher, instead of the usual fire drill question, said, "Children, what would you say if I were to tell you that Dr. van Dyke is to speak to you this morning?"

Instantly from the class came the resounding chorus, "We would rise in our places, step into the aisle, and march quietly out of the building."

A clerk checking over an applicant's papers, was amazed to note the figures 127 and 123 in the spaces reserved for, "Age of father, if living," and "Age of mother, if living." "Surely your parents aren't that old?" the surprised clerk questioned. "Nope," was the answer, "but they would be, if living."

The young father, pushing a baby carriage, seemed quite unperturbed by the wails emerging from it. "Easy now, Albert," he said quietly, "control yourself. Keep calm." Another howl rang out. "Now, now, Albert," murmured the parent. "Keep your temper." A young mother passing by remarked, "I must congratulate you! You know just how to speak to babies—calmly, gently." She patted the youngster on the head and cooed, "What's bothering you, Albert?" "No, no," cried the father, "his name is Johnny. I'm Albert."

"Reverend," said an admiring female member of the congregation at the close of service one Sunday morning, "I thought you ought to know that I come to these services only because of your sermons. They are so wonderful that you ought to have them published in a book." "Oh, I don't know," said the minister with his usual modesty, "I am not sure that my sermons deserve that much attention. Perhaps they will be published posthumously." "Well, then," said the woman enthusiastically, "I hope that will be real soon."

Small boy scowling over report card said to his dad: "Naturally I seem stupid to my teacher; she's a college graduate."



## B.S.U. Program at U.T. Martin Branch



B.S.U. Noonday Prayer Group

The B. S. U. program on the campus of the University of Tennessee Martin Branch is growing rapidly due to the increase of the school enrollment and the school's assuming a four-year status in some fields. Enrollment this year will be approximately 750, of which 35 to 40 percent will be Baptist students. Parallel growth is seen in the Sunday schools and Training Union college groups of both local churches.

B. S. U. campus activities include Noonday Devotions every day. A college Y. W. A., sponsored by the B. W. C. of the First Baptist Church, meets twice monthly. Brotherhood for college men has recently been organized with challenging service activities being planned. Plans are developing for the organization of the first B. S. U. choir at U. T. Martin.

Mission and extension projects have included monthly visits to the Weakley County Home, visitations within the local hospital and in homes of sick and shut-in of the churches, and programs presented at the Negro Baptist Church. A training school, sponsored by the Training Union, was conducted last year in the Negro Baptist Church, with five classes and an average attendance of 62.

Annual events include the church welcome parties such as the Indian Pow-Wow at First Baptist Church, Thanksgiving Breakfast for overseas students, Fish Supper for Greater Council, and banquets. The churches provide weekly Fellowship Hour and young people's choir.

The evangelistic interest of students was seen last year in nine baptisms of college students, cottage prayer meetings held during revivals, and in dedications to Christian service. One of the students served with the Home Mission Board last summer. During the last four years the campus has been represented by students on the mission fields.

At a pre-school retreat at Swan Bay on Kentucky Lake, September 17-18, activities for the new year were planned. They will be promoted by an Executive Council of which Jack Shannon of Halls, Tennessee, is President. For the last three years they have been First Magnitude and seek nothing less than that for this year.

Miss Clarice Thomason has served as part-time Baptist Student Director for the past three years, and the B. S. U. program has shown exceptional growth under her leadership.



Clarice Thomason

### More Collegians Study for Ministry

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (RNS)—The percentage of students in Southern Baptist colleges and universities who are studying for the ministry has more than doubled in the last seven years.

R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission, said the percentage had risen from 7.8 in 1946-47 to 16.4 in 1953-54.

This has been accompanied by a rise in Southern Baptist seminary enrollment from 1,744 in 1946-47 to 3,710 in 1953-54.

The total number of Southern Baptist ministerial students in colleges, universities, seminaries, academies and Bible schools reached an all-time high of 10,007 last year.

## Sunday School Board Names Press Representative

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Mrs. Agnes G. Ford, Nashville, Tenn., has been named press representative of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, James L. Sullivan, executive secretary, announced recently. She will work directly with J. M. Crowe, administrative assistant to Sullivan.

A native of Tennessee, Mrs. Ford attended George Peabody College for Teachers and Belmont College, Nashville. She came to the Board in 1927 in the sales and advertising department, where she served until 1947 when she resigned. After the death of her husband in 1949, Mrs. Ford returned to the Board as sales promoter and advertising copywriter for Broadman books, and chairman of the Baptist Bulletin Service sales and promotion committee. In 1952 she became promotional secretary in the office of the Board's business manager, where publicity of the Board's work was a part of duties assigned.

## Wake Forest to Get Nearly a Million

WAKE FOREST, N. C.—(BP)—Wake Forest College will receive nearly a million dollars under the terms of the will of the late Col. G. Foster Hankins, Lexington. Hankins, who died in September, attended Wake Forest College and the school honored him with the LL. D. degree in 1952.

Most of the estate of \$916,188 will go to Wake Forest in the form of the George Foster Hankins Foundation. Income from the foundation will be used "to aid worthy boys and girls, young men and women, in obtaining an education."

Baylor University recently picked Frank G. Clement, 34-year-old governor of Tennessee and Billy Graham, world renowned evangelist, as speakers for the school's second annual Conference on American Ideals, November 5-6.—*Baptist Press*

## Deacons Ordained, Home Dedicated by Forest Hills Church

Forest Hills Church, Newport, ordained four young men as deacons October 3: Floyd and Fred Blazer, Charles Smith and Byron Ratcliff. Pastor Curtis L. Niceley had E. N. Delzell, Brotherhood secretary, as guest speaker of the day. The beautiful new \$25,000 home for the pastor was dedicated at the evening service. It is located on a seven-acre lot just across the street from the church house. The church has bought new pews, pulpit, chairs and table for the observance of the Lord's supper which will be in use by the first of the year. Pastor Niceley writes "My people are enjoying reading the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR very much since we put it in the budget. You are giving us a very fine paper."



## Brainerd Church, Chattanooga, Opens New Baby Building



Shown above is the recently completed fire-proof Baby Building, costing \$84,000, which Brainerd Church, Chattanooga, opened September 12 with 108 babies present. This building which can adequately provide for 200 has all modern conveniences with complete kitchenette, air conditioning, germicidal lights and cabinets for coats and supplies. Brainerd Baptists believe in providing adequately for the children. The adults have moved twice in the past three years to provide more and better room for the children. Shown in the rear is the house formerly used for the Nursery Department. The new building with the exception of the church library is devoted entirely to the Nursery Department. Sunday, October 3, there were 413 children from the Junior Department through the Nursery. Photo by W. C. King *The Chattanooga Times*

## Cherokee Hills Church at Morristown Moves Forward

Sunday morning, September 26, Cherokee Hills Church, Morristown, observed its first anniversary. It began with ten members who organized and purchased a large brick residence on S. Cumberland Street. After considerable alterations they have a beautiful, small chapel and several Sunday school rooms. Classes for all ages have been provided. A Vacation Bible school was held during the summer. The Woman's Missionary Society has a strong organization and is working toward the standard of excellence. In August the church was admitted to the Nolachucky Association. Pastor Joel Herschel Ponder does full time work. He also teaches an Off-Campus Class at Tazewell for Carson-Newman College. Gifts of cash and equipment by friends have greatly blessed the church.

Brainerd Church, Chattanooga, ordained five new deacons. They are C. C. Correll, John M. Freuler, R. N. Hubbard, F. L. Mulkey and Howard Watson.

An ordination service will be held Sunday morning, October 24, at White Oak Church, Chattanooga, when five new deacons will be ordained. Those to be ordained are: Freeman Newport, J. W. Ward, James Harwood, Herbert Bivins and Edwin Roberson.

## Draft Statement on Church-State Relationship

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—A committee of Baptist scholars will be named soon by the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs to formulate a "statement of Scriptural teaching concerning the relationship of church and state and society."

This was announced by the Joint Committee in its October newsletter here. It said the special committee will consist of Baptist theologians, New Testament scholars, church historians, social scientists and others.

## The Effect of Others

We can well remember when a decent house and 40 acres of ground could be bought for about one-fourth what it costs to equip a modern kitchen. One mother would raise a houseful of children without help. There was very little complaining about the hardships until others in the community began to get modern conveniences. We don't complain about what we don't have until everybody else has it.

It is amazing how we will let others form foundations for our own happiness and peace of mind. What others have causes us to drool, upsetting our own peace of mind. This is a clear cut example of our materialistic age. The people of our times are definitely depending on others for their own happiness. Others do affect us but it is a strange bit of psychology that we let the possessions of others gnaw away at our own peculiar possession in life. A sense of security is a personal matter and not dependent upon others at all. This is well borne out in the fact that the biggest upsetting picture in personality today is what others have over against what others do not have.

This is not only true in personal relationships but is the spark which is inflaming this world with revolution. Nations, having achieved, have become despised by those who have not utilized their opportunities to the best advantages. We will not have a settled situation on this earth until the have-not nations have developed their own potentials. This is the line that we should pursue instead of hinging all our hopes upon guns and bombs.

It is not wrong for starving nations and illy-clad and badly housed people to want better. We should not let materialistic ideologies steal this thing from us, and advance it as if it were within their body of beliefs alone. We Christians believe in man having his daily bread and we should greatly proclaim this fact and help the world to advance in its material needs. We need not expect to be successful in exploiting the material realm without arousing the interest both selfish and appalling of other people.—Dr. Leon Macon, *The Alabama Baptist*

### Announcing

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# Sunday School

JESSE DANIEL, Secretary

## Military Service Membership Plan

The following is a letter picked up by Charles L. McKay, Sunday School Department Baptist Sunday School Board, while visiting First Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Tenn. It really gives "punch" to the Military Service Membership Plan.

"I have received the numerous bulletins, letters, and Sunday School Quarterly. They have touched me deeply for the fact that I didn't realize the church knew my address.

"I have been thinking that I would like to move my membership back to my home church, but would it be possible to do so while I am still in service and overseas or would I have to wait until I get home? I moved my membership to the church near to the school that I was going to in Newport News, Virginia. This was about two years ago. Since then I have had very few opportunities to move it back. Due to negligence on my part I regret it now that I didn't.

"The Military Service Membership Plan which you mentioned in the letter I received in the mail interests me very much. I would appreciate it very much if you would enrol me in the Sunday school.

"In closing this letter I wish to thank you for the nice letter that I received. It means a lot to a guy far from home.

Appreciatively yours,"

Jimmy C. Burrow, PFC

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## Dates To Remember

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State Mission Day in The Sunday School, October 24

1955

Bible Study week—January 3-7

Convention-wide Sunday School Clinic,

New Orleans, La.—January 8-21  
Convention-wide Sunday School Clinic, Los Angeles, Calif.—February 12-25  
State Sunday School Convention, Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis —March 7-8  
State V. B. S. Clinic, Nashville—March 28-30  
First Sunday School Week Glorieta—July 7-13  
Second Sunday School Week, Glorieta—July 14-20  
Third Sunday School Week, Glorieta—July 21-27  
Sunday School Assembly at Carson—August 1-5  
Sunday School Assembly at Linden—August 8-12  
First Sunday School Week at Ridgecrest, August 11-17  
Second Sunday School Week at Ridgecrest—August 18-24  
Third Sunday School Week at Ridgecrest—August 25-31  
Eight State Sunday School Planning Meetings—

North Eastern—September 5  
Eastern—September 6  
South Eastern—September 8  
North Central—September 9  
South Central—September 12  
Central—September 13  
North Western—September 15  
South Western—September 16  
Preparation Week—September 18-25

## Special Conference on Adults In Sunday School

A special conference will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, December 30-31, this year, on Adults in the Sunday School. We believe it will be exactly what you and the workers with Adults in your Sunday school desire.

The Ansley, Atlanta Biltmore, Atlantan, Briar Cliff, Cox-Carlton, Georgian Terrace, Henry Grady, and other good hotels will provide ample accommodations.

Pastors, educational directors, superintendents, and workers with Adults are invited to attend. Two thousand such workers are expected.

First conference at 10:00 o'clock A. M., December 30 and closing conference at 12:00 o'clock noon, December 31.



# Training Union

CHARLES L. NORTON, Secretary

## Attention All Training Union Directors and Associational Officers in North Central Region

The place of our Training Union Planning Meeting for November 1 has been changed from First Church, Carthage, to First Church, Sparta.

## What Is Your Question?

The following questions and many more will be answered at the Regional Training Union Planning Meetings.

1. What is the purpose of "M" Night? How do we plan for "M" Night?
2. What is the Training Union Military Service Membership Plan?
3. What is Baptist Youth Night? Will this mean additional officers in the associational Training Union?
4. What helps are available for Baptist Youth Night?
5. What is Youth Week?
6. What is the Training Union's part in the 1955 revivals?
7. Where are the Sword Drill materials?
8. How do we promote the Speakers' Tournament? When should associational eliminations be held?
9. What are some of the best ways to promote Nursery, Beginner, and Primary work through the association?
10. How do we get the Family Prayertime

Suggestions for parents of Nursery, Beginner, and Primary children?

11. What shall we do with the children during study courses?
12. Why have three separate associational leaders for the Nursery, Beginner, and Primary departments?
13. What is the Junior Worker's Plan Book? the Intermediate Worker's Plan Book?
14. When should we request reservations for Glorieta and Ridgecrest? What are the dates for 1955?
15. What materials are available for associational Training Union officers?
16. How do I get my name on the Associational Bulletin mailing list?
17. How do we finance associational Training Union work?
18. What are the three associational meetings?
19. How should associational officers be elected? How long should an officer serve?
20. What is an associational survey?

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# Woman's Missionary Union

MISS MARY MILLS, Executive Sec'y-Treas.

## Counselor's Corner

by Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

### An Omission

The beautiful tribute to Mrs. P. B. Lowrance which appeared on this page in last weeks BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR was written by Mrs. Lowrance's dear friend, Mrs. C. D. Creasman. We deeply regret the fact that Mrs. Creasman's name was not signed to the article.

### Letter from Miss Christine Garnett

*Castillo esq a Holguin  
Cienfuegos, Cuba*

Dear friends old and new:

There would never be any way to tell you what Tennessee meant to me this summer, and will mean to me as the years come and go and memory flies back to Carson and Linden. Had there been no one there but Mary Mills and Laura Frances Snow I would have come away greatly blessed, but there were others: Phanoy Tallent, Mrs. Ginn, Mrs. Catlett, Mrs. Haynes, the Carriers of Rockwood and other hosts of women who formed a great part of my life. Impossible it would be to mention all the fine counselors and teachers with whom I worked and prayed and tried to lead. Those W. M. U., B. W. C. and Y. W. A. groups will never be able to understand how they gave me new life. And the wonderful missionaries, especially your own Crea Ridenour, will go along with me in my work day by day.

Am I leaving the more than 800 G. A.'s till the last because they are less important? No, they top the list! They carried us back to girlhood, they inspired us so that I fear that I, for one, went over the time allotted to me many days. They are the hope of your State Missionary life, they are pure gold and many have been called to work in some special way for God. Help them at every step, lead them gently as the formative years take their toll in every way.

What wonderful offerings your people give! With their love gifts and others, I have handed to our superintendent \$650.00 for some kind of ice arrangement at our Yumuri Camp. It is our store-house where young and old go for inspiration and come away fired with a spiritual zeal, just as are your great camps. I thank each and every one of you, I thank the Home Mission Board for this delightful treat they provided for me, and I only pray that I may have left behind some word, some deed that shall count for Eternity. Go with me as I walk out among my people here, go with me in prayer and love. Hold up your missionaries' hands all over the world!

May God shower on Tennessee His greatest blessings!

### Attendance at Ass'n Officers Clinic

#### Belmont College, September 28-29

Beech River	3	McNairy Co.	5
Beulah	6	Nashville	28
Bledsoe	3	New Duck River	3
Big Emory	6	New River	4
Big Hatchie	6	New Salem	1
Bradley Co.	10	Polk Co.	6
Carroll-Benton	2	Providence	6
Concord	9	Riverside	1
Chilhowie	2	Robertson Co.	8
Crockett	1	Salem	5
Cumberland	6	Sequatchie	7
Duck River	5	Shelby	8
Dyer	5	Stewart	1
Fayette	2	Stone	1
Gibson	12	Sweetwater	4
Grainger	2	Tennessee Valley	3
Hamilton	6	Union	2
Hiawassee	1	Watauga	1
Holston	6	Weakley	3
Indian Creek	1	William Carey	4
Jefferson Co.	1	Wilson Co.	5
Knox	9	Western District	2
Madison-Chester	10		
McMinn	7	Total	229

### As Simple As . . .

by Herschel H. Hobbs

Yes, it's as simple as A B C! How fortunate that our stewardship emphasis this fall is centered about such—for it is as simple as A B C. All of God's plans, including salvation as well as stewardship, are simple. Satan, through man, seeks to complicate them to our hurt. But when we take God at his word we shall realize that the psalmist was right when he said, "Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass" (37:4f.). Herein we find the A B C's of stewardship.

Ask! This word is suggested in "the desires of thine heart." James reminds us that we have not because we ask not (4:2). Most pastors do not ask enough of their people in regard to stewardship. Our asking is not for ourselves but for the Lord—and for the giver. Asking furthermore suggests that the individual should make his own giving program a matter of prayer. No junior partner in a business firm would make a momentous decision without first talking with his senior partner. Should the Christian do less?

Believe! "Trust also in him" . . . the psalmist said. Believe in God's program of finance for his work. Believe the teachings of the Bible as to the responsibility which each of us bears with regard to stewardship. Believe in God's power to enable us to meet this obligation and opportunity. Believe that corporate giving commensurate to our ability will gird up the loins of our denomination as we face our world mission.

Commit! Yes, "commit thy way unto

### Afraid of Lightning

**Question:** I am deathly afraid of lightning. Of course there are many things that frighten me at times but I always pray over them and find a solution. I feel so ashamed over this fear. It seems that each time I get so afraid over lightning, it shuts His presence away from me.

My friends all laugh at me. I don't think they mean to be cruel. It does seem foolish but I cannot overcome it. I even get violently sick of my stomach.

Do you think something is wrong with my faith? Or could it be a nervous disorder?

**Answer:** Your friends are wrong. Such fears are not funny. Nor are they a lack of faith. Nor can they be cured by prayer or by "positive thinking" or by any mental tricks. Prayer will help if you pray right. And faith will steady you and give you courage.

Of course, such abnormal fear is a nervous disorder. To speak of them as "emotional disorders" is probably a little more accurate. They might even be thought of illnesses of the unconscious. But you cannot overcome them by conscious effort. And religion aims at the conscious.

Personally, I am deathly afraid of high places. Most people have some kind of phobia. I am living with mine—and staying away from high places.

Your fear of lightning might be removed by an expert psychotherapist—if you are young, have plenty of money, and will take two or three years in the process.

Otherwise manage your fear the best you can and quit being ashamed of it. God does not hold you responsible for something you cannot help.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

the Lord." This is the crowning thought. Many are those who ask and believe only to fall short of committal. Futile is our asking; dead is our faith unless—unless our people are led to commit. Roger Babson is said to have complimented his pastor's sermon only to conclude, "But if you were a salesman of mine I would fire you!" To the astonished pastor's inquiry, Mr. Babson replied, "Because you sold us on your product, but never did ask us to sign on the dotted line."

Ask—Believe—Commit . . . "and he shall bring it to pass." This is God's promise It shall never fail! It is as simple as A B C—if we will apply it.

Herschell H. Hobbs is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.



# ATTENDANCES AND ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCHES

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1954

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Alamo, First	289	115	---
Alcoa, Calvary	278	123	---
First	378	113	---
Athens, Antioch	226	50	---
Bethsadia	46	24	---
East	464	163	---
First	682	350	1
West End Mission	93	54	---
North	264	77	---
Calhoun	129	43	---
Calvary	46	26	---
Cambria	30	23	---
Clair Springs	89	18	---
Clearwater	136	57	---
Coghill	93	67	1
Cotton Port	109	112	---
Decatur, First	149	66	---
Double Springs	47	52	---
Eastanalle	45	23	---
Englewood	189	78	---
Etowah, East	54	---	---
Etowah, First	434	186	6
Etowah, North	452	241	---
Etowah, West	56	35	---
Five Points	77	40	---
Good Springs	103	81	---
Idlewild	97	57	---
Lake View	86	56	---
McMahan, Calvary	73	44	---
Mt. Harmony No. 1	95	47	---
Mt. Harmony No. 2	51	34	---
New Bethel	102	---	---
New Hopewell	52	---	---
New Zion	76	54	---
Niota, East	163	76	---
Niota, First	144	46	---
Oak Grove	70	---	---
Old Salem	60	---	---
Pond Hill	150	70	---
Riceville	99	49	---
Rocky Mount	34	43	---
Rodgers Creek	92	---	---
Short Creek	118	70	---
South Liberty	56	46	---
Stephensville	18	---	---
Union Grove, McMinn	98	71	---
Union Hill	70	---	---
Walnut Grove	52	50	---
West View	66	44	---
Wild Wood	89	48	---
Zion Hill	75	41	---
Auburntown, Auburn	123	71	---
Prosperity	158	121	---
Blaine, Mouth of Richland	105	49	---
Bristol, Calvary	405	136	2
Brownsville	533	109	3
Woodland	159	113	1
Brush Creek	107	73	---
Charleston	95	36	---
Chattanooga, Brainerd	963	371	3
Trinity Chapel	42	17	---
Calvary	378	113	---
Chamberlain Avenue	245	76	1
Concord	349	155	7
East	340	90	---
Eastdale	519	158	4
East Lake	626	155	---
First	1345	359	4
Northside	408	122	2
Red Bank	993	383	---
Ridgedale	648	215	4
Ridgeview	257	87	2
St. Elmo	417	125	4
Second	194	86	2
Clarksville, First	754	240	4
Mission	42	---	---
Grace Avenue	232	139	2
Cleveland, Calvary	172	71	1
First	597	237	---
Galilee Chapel	26	---	---
North	215	149	---
Waterville	150	77	---
Clinton, Bethel	128	54	---
First	697	210	---
Second	529	113	3
Columbia, First	560	174	---
Riverview	60	38	---
Highland Park	350	216	2
Cookeville, First	554	213	1
West View	210	98	---
Crab Orchard, Hailey's Grove	83	43	---
Cowan	228	76	---
Crossville, First	235	87	---
Antioch	42	---	---
Emmanuel	102	---	---
Pleasant Hill	39	---	---
Dandridge	120	47	5
Nina	38	---	---
Piedmont	146	102	---
Dyersburg, First	759	290	53
Elizabethton, Immanuel	248	109	---
Oak Street	142	56	---
Siam	255	183	3

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Fountain City, Central	1212	357	4
Hines Valley Mission	62	26	---
First	435	235	4
Smithwood	765	288	---
Fowlkes	133	106	---
Gallatin, First	566	107	2
Bethpage	36	---	2
Cedar Grove	11	---	---
W. Eastland	51	---	---
Gleason, First	216	69	---
Greenbrier	296	125	6
Harriman, South	414	188	3
Trenton Street	534	143	---
Walnut Hill	242	80	---
Hendersonville, New Hope	106	74	---
Hohenwald, First	113	58	---
Sycamore Mission	15	---	---
Humboldt, First	569	174	---
Huntingdon, First	315	78	2
Jacksboro, First	244	87	1
Jackson, Calvary	762	226	5
First	1017	250	5
North	330	171	---
Parkview	448	99	1
West	1069	464	5
Jefferson City, Mill Spring	110	73	---
Mountain View	82	---	---
Northside	284	150	9
Jellico, First	289	85	---
Johnson City, Central	808	157	2
Fair Street	127	52	---
Temple	315	127	2
Unaka Avenue	302	140	2
Jonesboro, First	250	94	1
Limestone Mission	27	17	---
Kenton, Macedonia	109	86	---
Kingston, First	488	141	5
Kingsport, First	826	259	---
Glenwood	436	177	3
Lynn Garden	447	147	---
Knoxville, Alice Bell	284	89	1
Arlington	665	178	7
Bell Avenue	1106	403	5
Broadway	1415	565	10
Calvary	325	155	19
Central, Bearden	394	122	1
Deaderick Avenue	262	89	---
Fifth Avenue	923	305	6
Lincoln Park	1090	288	1
Mt. Olive	407	108	3
Sevier Heights	785	338	2
South	746	296	29
Stock Creek	226	102	2
LaFollette, First	331	134	---
Lawrenceburg, First	329	124	---
First Avenue	54	---	---
Hoover Street	33	---	---
Lebanon, Fairview	302	86	---
First	574	216	---
Southside	165	107	---
Rocky Valley	61	58	---
Lenoir City, Calvary	201	70	---
First	577	174	6
Kingston Pike	107	59	---
Pleasant Hill	275	125	2
Lewisburg, First	649	209	---
Lexington, First	368	63	2
Loudon, Blairland	219	116	---
First	374	122	---
Mission	105	57	---
Prospect	120	55	---
Manchester, First	234	111	---
Mission	83	54	1
Martin, First	495	116	12
McKenzie, First	356	111	---
Madisonville, Chestnut	113	61	---
First	374	142	---
Martel, Dixie Lee	138	94	---
Maryville, Broadway	601	223	36
Everett Hills	469	214	6
First	993	387	---
Mission	126	41	---
Madison Avenue	170	63	---
Medina	230	78	---
Memphis, Airview	127	60	2
Ardmore	594	238	10
Bartlett	239	126	1
Barton Heights	299	126	---
Bellevue	2842	1207	33
Berclair	855	330	5
Berclair Mission	29	16	---
Beverly Hills	321	125	---
Boulevard	948	325	7
Brooks Road	105	68	---
Brunswick	159	69	---
Calvary	258	85	1
Central Avenue	1151	435	1
Charjean Mission	469	229	7
Cherokee	564	272	3
Colonial Mission	184	70	---
Cordova	93	37	---
DeSota Heights	201	101	---
Egypt	167	104	---

Eudora	484	149	4
Fairlawn Mission	258	119	6
Faith	130	97	---
Fisherville	162	53	2
First	1302	274	7
Frayser	684	228	2
Germantown	60	30	7
Graceland	186	81	2
Greenlaw	276	203	7
Highland Heights	1680	829	13
Island 40 Mission	31	---	---
Kennedy	442	149	2
LaBelle	792	303	3
LaBelle Mission	62	29	---
Lamar Heights	916	311	1
Lamar Terrace	56	---	---
Leawood	807	254	6
Linden Avenue	48	29	---
Levi	259	82	---
Longcrest	113	87	5
Longview Heights	393	120	8
Lucy	98	33	---
Mallory Heights	271	105	5
Malcomb Avenue	298	151	1
McLean	600	183	2
McLinton Avenue	487	128	6
Millington	500	218	7
Millington Mission	105	40	1
Mt. Pisgah	138	117	---
Mullins Station	96	85	---
National Avenue	490	197	4
Orchi	76	50	---
Park Avenue	586	225	4
Prescott Memorial	805	222	2
Prospect Park	84	54	---
Ralcigh	588	245	---
Rugby Hills	229	108	---
Sanga	35	---	---
Seventh Street	541	234	5
Southland	249	108	12
Southmoor	238	100	7
Speedway Terrace	941	247	5
Sylvan Heights	617	267	7
Temple	1399	490	15
Thrifhaven	221	84	6
Trinity	539	225	2
Union Avenue	1138	346	3
Victory Heights	90	51	---
Wells Station	272	122	---
Whitehaven	494	112	6
Whitten Memorial	95	45	---
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Milan, First	488	159	---
North Side Mission	193	119	4
Monteagle, First	18	14	---
Morrison, First	111	89	---
Morristown, Buffalo Trail	141	69	---
Murfreesboro, Belle Aire	45	24	1
First	627	105	2
Calvary	58	---	---
Mt. View	200	113	---
Powell's Chapel	114	84	---
Third	289	114	4
Wards Grove	94	47	---
Woodbury Road	167	72	---
Nashville, Belmont Heights	1259	589	29
Brookside	38	13	2
Jordonia	40	---	---
Madison Street Mission	126	34	---
Berryville	125	---	---
Calvary	226	105	9
Donelson	628	114	5
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Philadelphia	197	68	---
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Ripley, First	364	139	---
Rockford, Central Point	102	68	---
Rockwood, Eureka	128	62	---
First	520	206	1
Rogersville, First	513	208	6
Henard's Chapel	242	155	4
Rutledge, Helton Spring	120	74	---
Oakland	131	94	3
Sevierville, Alder Branch	158	97	1
First	610	151	4



## No Name

"We are surely having a good revival", said Pastor John Tevis as we turned into a driveway. "I want to run in here a minute and see where old man John Benton lives. Deacon Jones ought to know."

Deacon Jones knew. "Pastor," I heard him say, "Don't you know? He lives over on the highway, just the other side of No Creek." Immediately I forgot all about the problems of the revival meeting, and became lost in my own thoughts.

*No Creek.* What an odd name for a stream. But there are other names just as odd. For instance that chain of stores in Kansas City called "Stores Without a Name." Or the once-popular line of men's hats trade-marked as "No Name" hats.

Suddenly I remembered two lovely girls who were filled with joy and excitement as they appeared in my office to let me in on the good news that they were going to an Interdenominational Bible College. "Why do you want to go there?" I asked. "So we can be missionaries" they replied almost in unison.

Then I began to reason with these two girls. We talked about "Stores Without a Name," and decided that the name of the stores was "Stores Without a Name." We agreed that "No Name" was the name of "No Name" hats. Had we known about No Creek we would have recognized it as the name of No Creek creek.

The girls then made an important discovery. There is a denomination among us which calls itself "No Denomination". It builds and promotes its own schools, it has set up its own mission boards, it sponsors its own radio programs, and it has fairly well agreed on its doctrines. Don't these things clearly define it as a denomination?

It seems strange indeed that this widely scattered and ever-growing group has carried its work on largely from resources of those who are Baptist, or who belong to other denominations. It seems equally clear that we who honestly recognize our denominational status should carry on our own work, and let these "No Name" or "No Denomination" Christians carry on theirs.—Paul Elledge, Kansas City 11, Mo.

Ramsey Pollard, pastor of Broadway Church, Knoxville, will do the preaching in revival services at Grace Church, Nashville, W. L. Stigler, pastor, October-31-November 7.

Shop Springs .....	125	78	---
Somerville, First .....	263	149	---
South Pittsburg .....	217	92	2
Spring City, Central .....	111	57	---
Springfield, North .....	133	50	---
Stantonville, West Shiloh .....	175	121	---
Sweetwater, First .....	442	124	2
Mission .....	24	---	---
Oakland .....	54	43	---
Trenton, Poplar Grove .....	126	74	---
Union City, First .....	739	189	---
Watertown, Round Lick .....	186	121	---
Winchester, First .....	338	114	2

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# West STATE Briefs

by Edwin E. Deusner, Lexington, Tenn.

W. F. Carlton, Wheatley, Ark., was with Pastor Kester Cotton and Greenfield Church in a good revival. There were 15 additions to the Church and some bumper crowds in attendance. Brother Carlton has served as pastor of the Greenfield Church on two occasions. Frank Adams was the song leader during the revival.

McCulloughs Church in Dyer Association, Maurice Jones, pastor, had 15 additions during a recent revival. J. H. Currin, Mayfield, Ky., was the preacher.

Jerry Horner was ordained to the ministry on September 5 by Finley Church, Dyer Association. Brother Horner is pastor of Emanuel Church and a student at Union University. J. B. Metheny is pastor at Finley.

Norvin T. Jones has accepted a call to Fellowship Church near Covington.

West Jackson Church, David Q. Byrd, pastor, has issued \$45,000 in bonds to (1) pay the balance on the pastor's home, (2) to purchase adjoining property at the church site, and (3) to purchase a home at 535 Westwood for the minister of music.

First Church, Savannah, celebrated its 25th anniversary as a Church recently. E. Floyd Olive, the man who held a tent meeting there in 1929 out of which came the organization, was the special speaker for the day. T. E. Mason, Springfield, who led in building the meeting-house in 1940 and in its re-building in 1946 after a disastrous fire, was the preacher during the afternoon. Hugh Callens, the first man to be ordained to the ministry by the Savannah Church, was the speaker at the evening hour. He is now at Frankfort, Kentucky. Three of the seventeen charter members of the Church were present for the occasion. Under the leadership of Pastor Mitchell Bennett the Church has had its best year with 69 additions and \$3,000 more for all causes than in the preceding year. Cornelius DeBlock, Columbus, Miss., did the preaching in a revival which began October 4.

Parkway Church, Memphis, J. G. Miller, pastor, observed its fourth anniversary in its new building October 4. Challenging goals were set in all departments of the work.

Leonard Sanderson will return to his native West Tennessee for two revivals this Fall. He will assist Pastor Hayward Highfill and Frist Church, Humboldt, and Pastor Robert L. Orr, First Church, Dyersburg.

Pastor R. Paul Caudill, First Church, Memphis, was with Hindman Church, Hindman, Ky., Sept. 20-22, for a series of services. J. S. Bell, a native of Henderson County, is the pastor at Hindman and in addition assists in about twelve or thirteen mission stations of the Hindman Church. He is doing a great work in the Kentucky hills.

First Church, Martin, Thomas W. Pope, pastor dedicated their pastorium and Sunday school addition, Sunday, September 5. Construction of the spacious semi-ranch type home was completed in October of 1950. A large ten-room house on a lot 100" x 250" adjoining the church was purchased in 1953. This house now accommodates three Sunday school departments. Final payment was recently made on these properties.

An impressive noteburing ceremony climaxed the dedication service at the morning worship hour. James E. Tice, chairman of the Deacon Body, and James R. Riley, chairman of the Property Committee, assisted in this ceremony. A brief history of the building programs of the seventy-eight year old church was read by the clerk, Milburn Templeton, Jr. The pastor emphasized in his message, "A Dedicated Church," that every building endeavor had been accompanied by an evangelistic and missionary zeal.

Wendell Todd, pastor, did the preaching in the Adamsville revival. There were 15 additions, 9 of which were by baptism.

B. F. Bynum of Freedonia, Kentucky was the preacher for the West Shiloh revival. There were 9 additions to the church by baptism. Coy Thurston is the pastor.

Twenty-three of the twenty-four churches in McNairy Association conducted Vacation Bible schools this summer. There was also one Mission Bible school.

H. H. Carman has left the Pleasant Site Church to accept the Tulu Church. Gilbert Daniel resigned the Chewalla Church to accept the Ramer Church. All these churches are in McNairy Association.

Thomas Pope, Pastor of First Church, Martin, was the evangelist for the Gravel Hill Church. There were 8 additions to the church. J. O. Smothers is the pastor.

Calvary Church, the youngest church in the McNairy Association and receiving aid from the State Mission Board, has made remarkable progress under the leadership of Pastor James H. Moore. During the past associational year the membership has increased from 21 to 34, 14 were added by baptism. Sunday school enrolment has increased from 35 to 62.

Annual Meeting of the McNairy Association was held Sept. 2 and 3 with the Clear Creek and West Shiloh Churches. The attendance and interest were unusually good. The officers for the new year are Hoyt Jernigan, moderator; J. O. Smothers, vice-moderator; Mullens Petty, clerk; and S. T. Haddon, treasurer.

The Associational Sunday School Planning Meeting was held at Ramer September 14 with Mullens Petty, in charge. There were 135 present. The new Sunday school theme, "Let Us Go On", was introduced, and plans for teaching, "One To Eight", were made. Wendell Todd, pastor of Adamsville, brought the inspirational message.

Lewis D. Ferrell, Pastor of Ridgedale Church, Chattanooga, did the preaching in the revival at Chewalla Church. Interest and attendance were excellent with seven additions by baptism. Teddy Evans, associational missionary, acted as pastor as the Chewalla Church is without a pastor.

Clyde Hart, Hot Springs, Ark., was the evangelist in a revival at North Jackson Church, Waif Hamilton, pastor, beginning October 10. The meeting will continue through October 24. North Jackson recently ordained as deacons, Elihu Jordan and A. L. Swafford.

Wayne Kiestler is the new pastor of the Lorraine and Olive Hill Churches in McNairy Association. Brother Kiestler is a native of McNairy County, and ordained by the Mt. Gilead Church of this Association. He attended Union University and New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

Dean F. E. Wright, Union University, supplied at First Church, Ripley, September 19 while Pastor Bernard Scates was in a revival at Erin. Dean Wright also supplied at Alamo recently while Pastor and Mrs. J. T. Poe were vacationing in Texas.

E. A. Byrd is the new pastor at Whiteville succeeding R. J. Sedberry, Jr. who went to Ohio. Brother Byrd is a native of West Kentucky and for the past two years has been a Chaplain in the Army. His tour of duty included service in Japan and Korea. Before entering the Chaplaincy he was pastor of New Harmony Church, Benton, Ky. We welcome this good brother to West Tennessee and wish for him a happy pastorate at Whiteville.

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Teddy Evans did the preaching in the Graham Heights revival, Memphis, W. E. Bailey, pastor. There were 18 additions to the church.

The members of Walnut Hill Church, Crockett Association, honored their pastor, Hillard Goode and family, with a fellowship supper and pantry shower recently. This fine Church has moved up to full-time. We are always happy to report news like this.

Rev. C. E. Azbill, 226 Hamilton Street, Jackson, Tennessee, has published his memoirs and copies are available at the above address. This booklet is unusual in that it contains pictures of all the fifty-three churches Brother Azbill served during a ministry of more than forty years. He has now retired from the pastorate but is kept busy supplying pulpits, preaching funerals, and assisting the cause in other ways.

Missionary A. L. Partain of Big Hatchie Association began a revival at the mission of Brownsville Church, Jim Yates, pastor, October 3.

Calvary Church, Jackson, dedicated its new \$75,000 educational annex October 3. The dedicatory service followed a great revival conducted by Pastor Slater A. Murphy, Highland Heights, Memphis, in which there were 59 additions to the membership. The new building is a three-story, concrete block with brick veneer edifice. It was designed by one of Calvary's deacons, William Collie, with technical assistance from the architectural firm of Thomas, Ross & Stanfill, of Jackson. Another deacon, O. E. Hearne, Jr., who built the original building and the pastorium, was the contractor. The new wing adds forty-one class rooms to the church's educational facilities. James A. Canaday is the energetic, consecrated pastor.

Another new building will soon be under-way when ground is broken at Huntingdon, Jerry L. Glisson, pastor. The new auditorium will cost around \$75,000.

The first meeting of the West Tennessee Pastors' Conference was held at Union University October 4. The subject for discussion was "The Financial Program of the Church." Those taking part were Barney Flowers, William Pitt, T. L. Alexander, D. P. McFarland, and R. E. Guy. Walter M. Martin is the president of the group this year.

First Church, Martin, Thomas W. Pope, pastor, ordained to the office of deacon the following: James Ams, G. E. Brewer, W. H. Cooper, C. L. Markwell, and Guy Wadley. Pastor Dan B. Cameron, Union City, preached the ordination sermon.

Keith Sherman began his work as educational director at Park Avenue Church, Memphis, October 3. He has been in a similar position at First Church, Forest City, North Carolina. Pastor J. E. Williams is happy to have this good worker.

Maplewood Church, Paris, closed a good meeting with R. B. Patterson, Sr., Iuka, Mississippi, as preacher. There were nine additions by baptism and four by letter. C. E. Tutor is pastor. Since he came on the field last December the Church has purchased a pastorium, remodeled its meeting house, added a baptistry and 12 new Sunday school rooms. There have been 53 additions. Murray James and Dorris Phelps have been ordained as deacons.

Mrs. C. M. Pickler, wife of the pastor of Boulevard Church, Memphis, is recovering from an illness that brought much concern to the people who compose this great fellowship.

Kennedy Church, Memphis, Charles A. Wingo, pastor, celebrated its tenth anniversary as a church October 3. The work was begun by Missionary J. Carl McCoy. The growth has been phenomenal.

Pastor J. E. Coggin has resigned at Central Avenue, Memphis, and will become pastor of First Church, Texarkana, Texas.

Pastor Paul Aiken, Kirkwood Church, Atlanta, Ga., is the preacher in a revival at First Church, Parsons, James A. Overton, pastor, which began October 17.

W. W. Shanklin has resigned as missionary for Carroll-Benton Association to accept the pastorate of Mt. Pisgah Church, Shelby Association.

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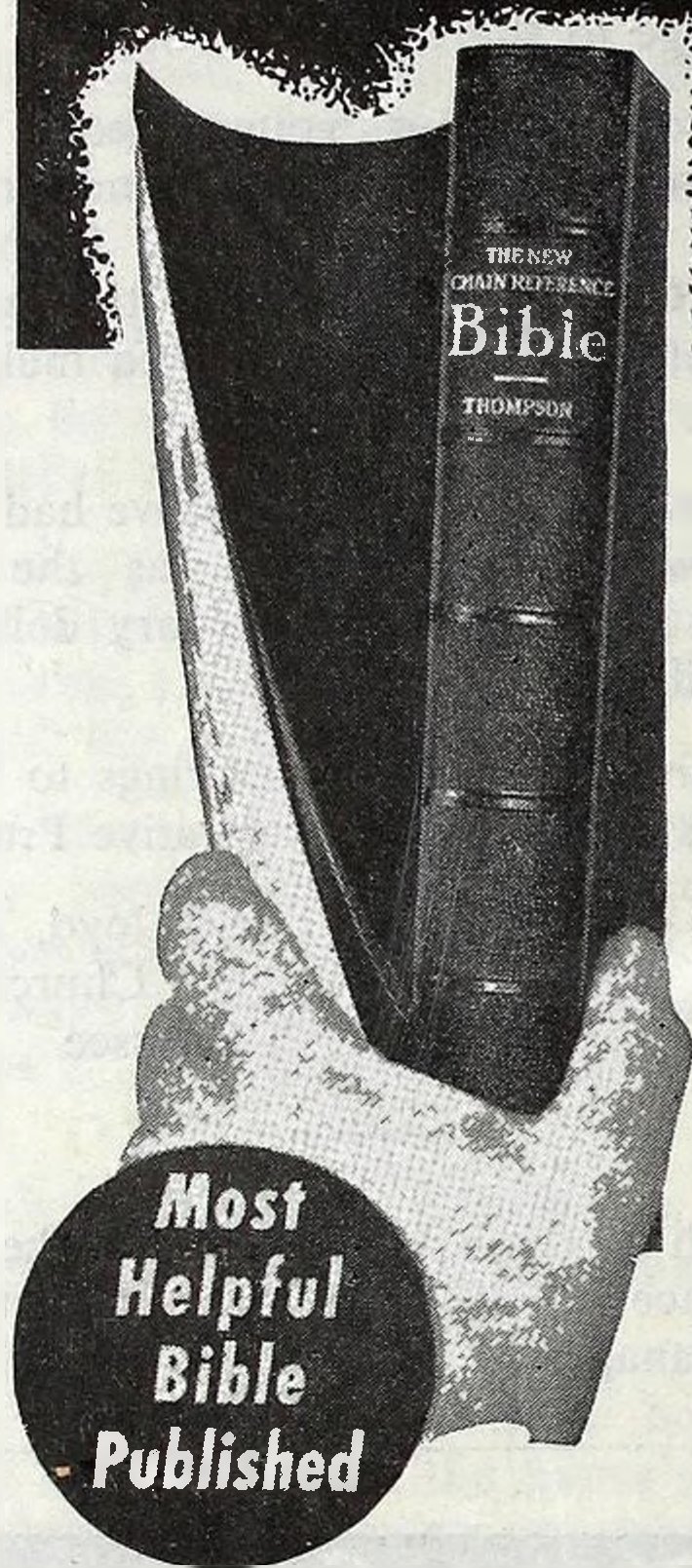
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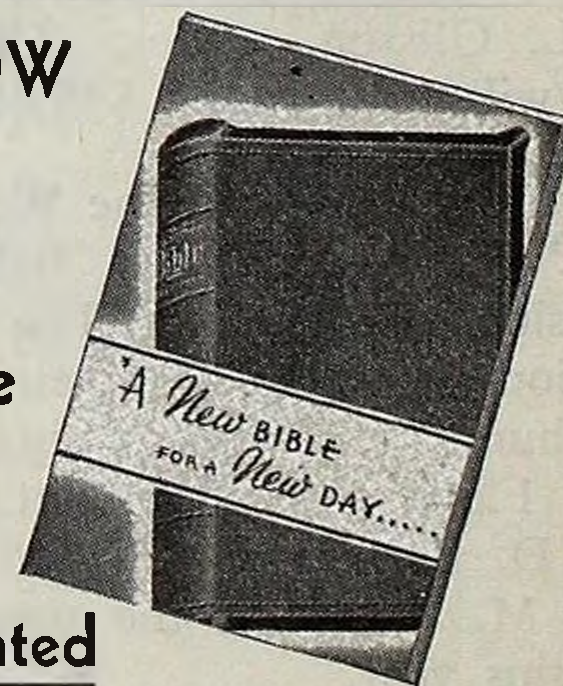
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