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Condemnation, But Encouragement



Raymond H. Napier, Jr., Pleasant Hill Church, Orinda

Simon Peter said to Jesus, "Depart from me; I am a sinful man, O Lord" Luke 5:8. Peter was in the presence of the Lord. He was overwhelmed by a sudden sense of a divine power and goodness that made his own self feel small and unworthy. He felt that he could not bear to be in Jesus' presence.

We can understand to some extent the emotions of that moment. At one time or



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Bombed Church Gets \$2000 From Baptist Missions

ATLANTA (BP)—The Sixteenth Street Baptist Church of Birmingham, Ala. will receive \$2000 from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention to help repair its recent bomb damage.

Four young Negro Sunday school pupils were killed when a racist's bomb shattered the church's building Sept. 15.

The church had given office space to headquarters for the Baptist education center work of Southern Baptists in Birmingham until last June.

Guy Bellamy of Oklahoma City, Okla., secretary of the mission agency's department of work with National Baptists, said, "This \$2000 partially expresses our sympathy in this tragedy and our appreciation to the church as our friends and co-laborers."

He said his workers had started using the office space in the building in 1953 when the late Dr. Luke Beard was pastor of the church. They changed last June when a new education center was completed.

The \$2000 will be given the church through the department of work with National Baptists in Alabama. H. O. Hester of Montgomery, secretary of the department, will make the presentation to the church.

Southern Baptists through their state mission agencies and the Home Mission Board employ 77 workers with National Baptists in 33 states, for which they spend approximately \$500,000 annually.

other an outstanding person has caused us to feel insignificant. We may have been self-satisfied up to our encounter of that person, but at that time we saw something so much better than we had previously known. This person demonstrated a goodness, a quality of morality, an unselfishness which we never thought possible. We saw a "spiritual giant," and our thoughts of ourselves diminished. We began to see ourselves as we really were. A sense of sinfulness became real and it intensified. We reached the point where we no longer thought of sin as just something the preacher preaches against. Suddenly it was personal. "I am a sinner."

Were we to be left with that feeling only? The expression has been heard, "Our humiliation is our hope." Although Peter cried out, "Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord," Jesus did not depart. Jesus remained by him, "through thick and thin," through half-success and failure, because even if Peter might falter, in the end he would not fail. This is the Lord's way with us. He comes to us as He did to Peter. He reveals our sin and weakness in order to point out our potentiality in Him. He condemns that He may encourage us.

Worldwide Bible Reading Program Marks 20th Year

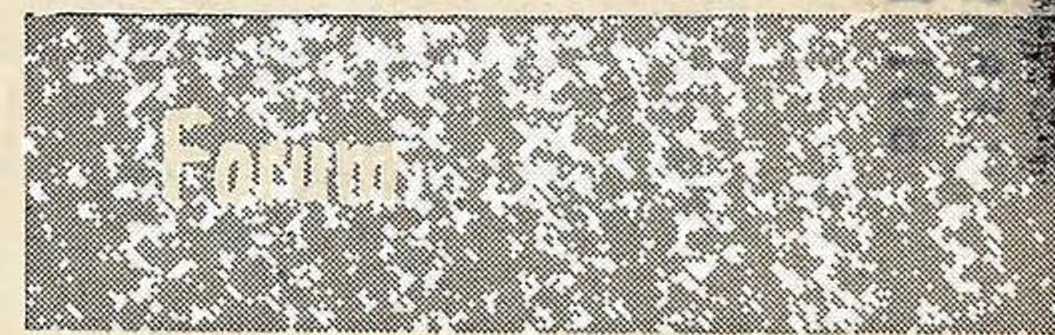
NEW YORK (RNS)—The American Bible Society's annual Worldwide Bible Reading program—from Thanksgiving through Christmas—marks its 20th anniversary this year.

For 19 years millions of Christians in many countries of the world have joined in a spiritual fellowship by reading everyday in their own language a pre-selected portion of the Bible. The program is endorsed by the President of the U. S.

Theme of this year's observance is "The Word of Truth." To facilitate a unified reading of the daily passage, the ABS distributes about 14 million bookmarks listing the Scripture reference for each day.

This year's readings begin with the 100th Psalm on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28, and conclude with St. Luke, Chapter 2, verses 8 through 20. Highlights of the annual program are Universal Bible Sunday, Dec. 8, and the reading of the Christmas story on Christmas Eve from the Gospel of St. Luke.

In announcing this year's program, Dr. James Z. Nettinga, a society secretary, said the observance "emphasizes the common heritage of all Christians wherever they may be. This subdued chorus of quiet voices is eloquent plea for peace on earth."



... It Is Time To Declare Ourselves!

● I opened my Spanish newspaper here in Mendoza, Argentina this morning and read the startling headlines: "A Baptist Church Damaged by a Bomb". The story that followed was datelined Birmingham, Alabama, and told the tragic story—four Negro children killed and seventeen people wounded while at Sunday School in a Negro Baptist Church. As I read of the demolished building, the spots of blood, and the brightly painted little tables visible through the broken and jagged wall, I first felt pity and sorrow for the small victims and their grief-stricken parents. Then, I felt some shame and uneasiness. What will the questions be like when we are quizzed about this by these among whom we work? How can we adequately explain it when we ourselves seek an explanation? As thoughts raced through my mind while reading the articles, one of them remains and compels me to voice it. *It is time to declare ourselves!* We believe that the teachings of Jesus as found in concise form in Matthew chapter five show that man must be an *active* force for good. We must agitate for truth and right.

In this Negro revolution of 1963, the conflict is segregation vs. integration. Because it is often shrouded in political overtones, we Christians, especially those of us who are ministers or Christian workers, shirk from any entanglement with the issue. A moment's analysis, though, will prove the falseness of our conclusion to remain aloof. Segregation is but the lingering shadow of slavery! Segregation is the elongation of the concept that some groups are superior to others and must openly demonstrate it! Segregation is born out of

FMB Appoints Tennessean



Rev. and Mrs. Dennis E. Elliott (standing), newly appointed missionaries to Thailand, give biographical data to Miss Carol Hunt of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board's press relations office.

Mrs. Dennis E. Elliott, the former Katherine Adcock, native of Jackson, and her husband were appointed missionaries to Thailand October 10 in the final session of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board's annual meeting in Richmond, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott now live in Plantersville, Ala., where he is pastor of First Church.

Tracing the background of her decision for missionary service, Mrs. Elliott says: "Girls' Auxiliary became a part of my life when I was a teen-ager. In that organization I became aware of our missions around the world. I believe God has used those early impressions to guide my life in later years."

She and Mr. Elliott, native of Birmingham, met as students at Howard College. Married in 1956, they have four children, Denise, five and a half, Angie, nearly four, Anna Marie, two and a half, and Dennis Edward, II, five months.

The Elliotts were among eight mission-

New York Expansion Brings Staff Change

ATLANTA (BP)—Paul S. James of New York City will drop his pulpit ministry December 15 at Manhattan Baptist Church to give all his time to directing Southern Baptists' mission work in the metropolitan area.

He is doing so at the request of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. James, a vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has been both pastor of the Manhattan Baptist Church and director of the mission work since 1957.

Today in the Metropolitan Baptist Association there are 13 churches and 20 missions, including language work with the Spanish-speaking and Polish-speaking peoples.

There are also Southern Baptist Churches in all of the Northeastern states, the last area of the nation in which the denomination has started work. New York City served as the springboard from which many of these missions were started.

Former Tennessean Appointed Oklahoma WMU Leader

Miss Abbie Louise Green, native of Memphis, has been appointed Executive Secretary for Oklahoma Woman's Missionary Union effective November 1. Her office will be in the Baptist Building at 1141 North Robinson, Oklahoma City. The appointment follows the resignation of Miss Margaret Hutchison who retired June 1.

After Miss Green's college work at Memphis State, she received a degree from the WMU Training School (now the Carver School of Missions) in Louisville, Ky.

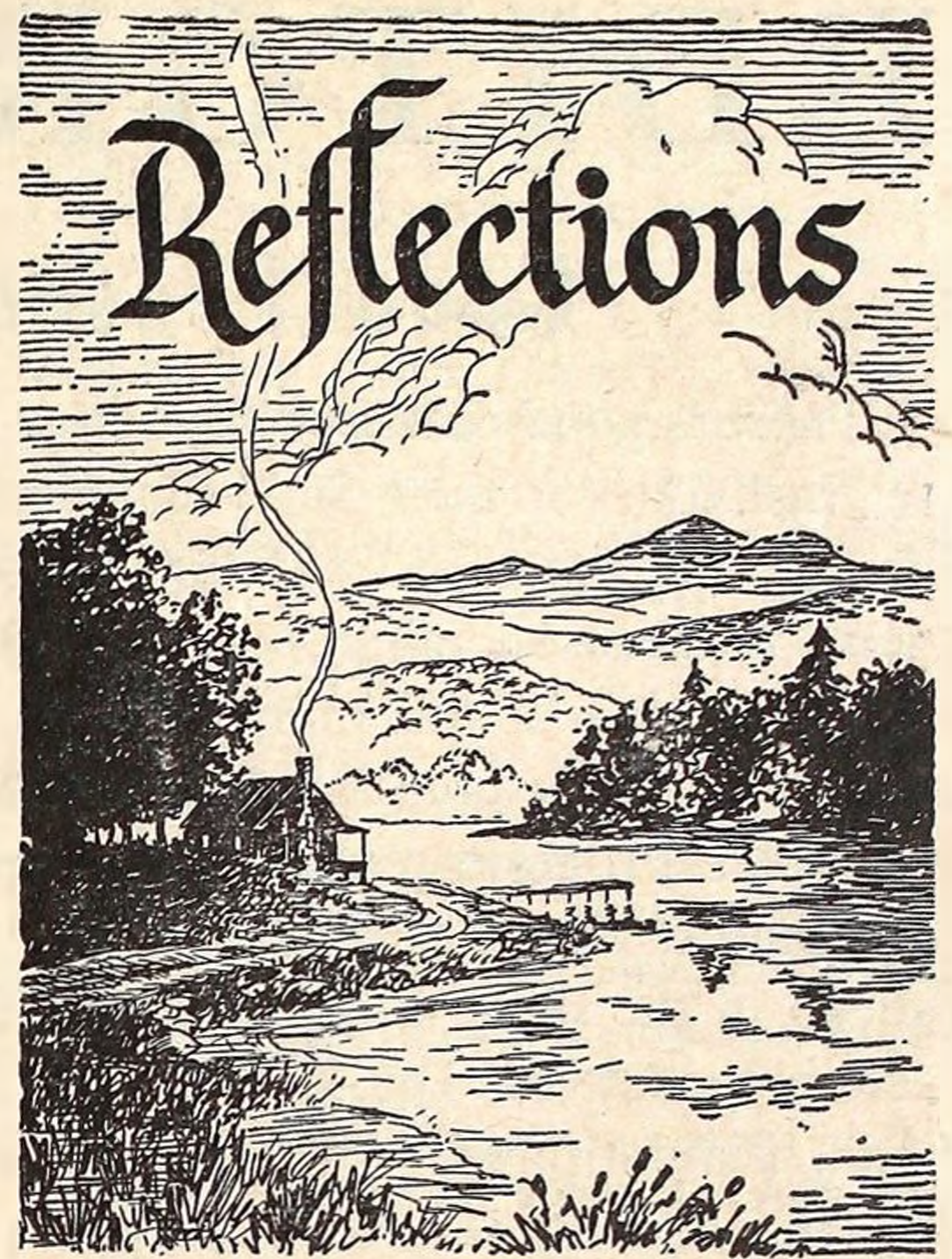
She served as young people's secretary for Oklahoma Woman's Missionary Union 1948-56, and returned to Tennessee where she served three years in a similar position with Woman's Missionary Union in Nashville. Miss Green is now Southern Baptist Convention Sunbeam director with headquarters in Birmingham, Ala.

aries appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in its October meeting, bringing its total overseas staff to 1,795 (including 27 missionary associates).

racial prejudice! A simple study of the New Testament will prove to any honest reader that racial prejudice stands condemned before the bar of eternal justice. It is founded on an evil principle. What man can count himself a Christian and remain silent about the vicious results of racial prejudice?

There are fewer moral and spiritual forces in the South greater than the pulpits of Southern Baptist Churches and the strong men of God who fill them. We have demonstrated many times very adequately what we can do when we declare ourselves. When God's men rise to strike a heavy blow at evil from God's Word, we gain the edge in the battle. Still, for fear of the surging repercussions that may engulf them, there are many who stand in the heart of the Southland who re-

fuse to identify themselves as being actively opposed to segregation and racial prejudice from which it stems. None the less, what men can call himself a man of God and not strike actively and repeatedly at this monster of racial prejudice that is devouring us? Racial equality is not always comfortable. It is not always desirable. It is not without its social and moral problems. It is against the grain of human behaviour. It conflicts with centuries of traditions. *But*, human equality is *right*! Are we so timid and fearful that we can not choose what is right? Must we demand that others decide for Christ and leave their evil behind while we fear to declare privately and publicly where we stand? This is no time for rashness. This is the time for conviction and the earnestness that ensues.



While it is saddening to witness the gradual removal of the freedom of choice from the individual, it is even more tragic to see that many persons have not taken the time to understand and to realize that it is taking place. They have not learned that progress stems from a great many individual achievements occurring only when men are free from the coercive actions of their fellow men.—John C. Sparks, "Lost Freedom—Illusion or Fact?" *Defender*.

The best way to insure our future is to study the past and serve exceptionally well during the present. Our values, spiritual, moral and economic, are going to depend on how we serve. This is where one can demonstrate the three "Ls" of life, by loving, lifting and leading people.—Ralph E. Lyne, *Scandal Sheet*.

Automation creates unemployment. If it didn't, it would have no purpose. Human labor is more expensive, and often less efficient, than machine labor. Automation is a labor-saving device; that is, it saves human labor. But looked at from the other end of the equation, it destroys the opportunity for human work.—John I. Snyder, Jr., *Publishers' Wkly*.

It is rare indeed that the words "A Baptist Church" are flashed around the world in headline news. It is jolting, though, when it is done in the context of such an incident as this. In sacred memory of those who died victims of rabid racism in a Baptist Church while learning of Him who made and loveth all men, let us conclude that it is time to crusade actively against racial prejudice in both its overt and more subtle forms. "The forces of evil will win in this world when enough good men do nothing." IT IS TIME TO DECLARE OURSELVES!—Charles W. Shirley, Casilla 26, Mendoza, Argentina.

Note: I believe the quotation is from a speech to the English Parliament by Edmund Burke.

EDITORIALS.....

Good Prospect

There is good prospect Tennessee Baptists will come to Nashville for their State Convention November 11 having met their \$3,825,000 Cooperative Program goal. Receipts coming into the treasurer's office at the beginning of this month are the basis for this expectation. Treasurer W. Fred Kendall reported Cooperative Program receipts in his office from Tennessee Baptist churches as of October 4, were \$110,851 ahead of the same time last year. "The picture is considerably better," Dr. Kendall said, "than the report made a month ago."

The economy is good. An upturn in giving through the churches is evident. The Cooperative Program is the financial channel through which all missionary educational and benevolent causes of both state and Southern Baptist Conventions are supported.

The state convention year ends October 31. It is possible the falling off in giving evident in the summer can now be overcome and the goal reached by the end of the Convention year. This will be a reality if Tennessee Baptists continue their good record made at the

beginning of October.

As we approach 1964 along with other Baptists, we can have a good start toward the new year's emphasis by reaching our present year's goals. 1964 will be The Third Baptist Jubilee and will be significant in celebration next May in Atlantic City. The weeks preceding Baptist work in North America. Seven different Baptist bodies of North America will share in this celebration next May in Atlantic City. The weeks preceding are anticipated as a time of spiritual renewal and revival. Jubilee is a time of jubilation, of spiritual rejoicing. But always preceding such there must be searching of heart, true repentance, confession of sin, recommitment of life to the mastery of the Lord Jesus Christ.

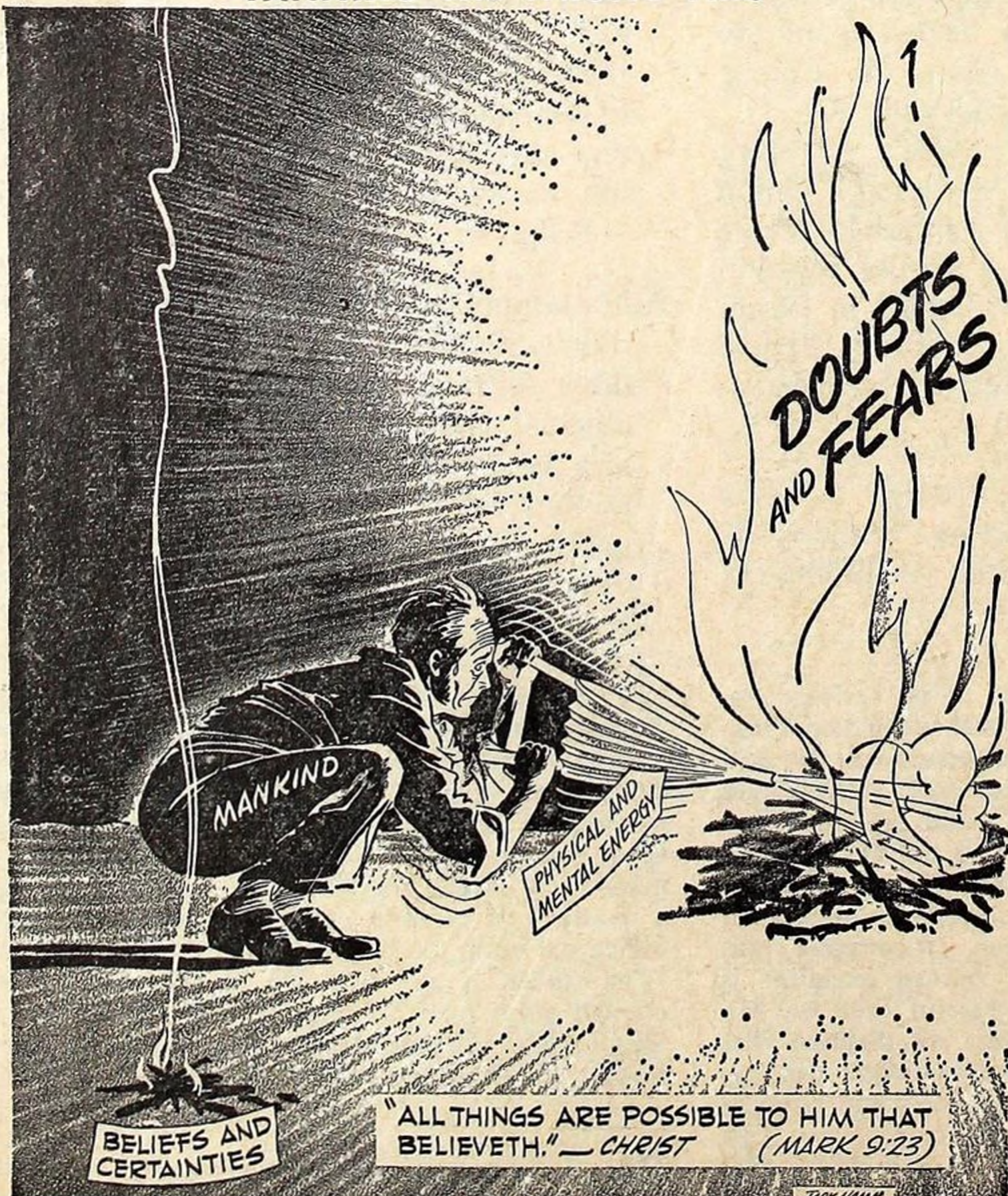
Baptists can best observe 1964 as a Jubilee year by coming to a new appreciation of their religious heritage and by recapturing the spirit that made for greatness in the Baptist witness of colonial times. At the heart of this is an exaltation of Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and a yieldedness to the mastery of God's Holy Spirit. This results in a new sense of stewardship and a new dynamic in soul winning.

Dr. Wright

Union University has chosen in the person of Francis E. Wright a man well-equipped in native ability and intellectual and spiritual preparation to serve as its new president. His election by unanimous vote of the trustees October 7 was marked with widespread feeling that Dr. Wright has been providentially brought to this place of great trust and responsibility for such a time as this. A spirit of harmony and optimism characterized the election of Union's new president.

Trustees impressed by the leadership of the Holy Spirit made a covenant with themselves and with Dr. Wright to daily pray for the university, for its president, for its staff, for its faculty, and, for the student body. All of this was done with the determined purpose that this illustrious school shall increasingly become a faithful and effectual instrument for the service of God, the enrichment of human life and social betterment. The meeting of the trustees witnessed a call to renewed dedication to Union's ideals, traditions, and aims.

FANNING THE WRONG FIRE



Diefenbaker On Atlantic City Celebration Agenda

WASHINGTON, D. C. (BP)—The former prime minister of Canada, John G. Diefenbaker, will be one of the principal speakers at a 150th Anniversary Celebration of Baptists in Atlantic City, N. J.

Mrs. Diefenbaker, a Baptist and currently "leader of Her Majesty's loyal opposition", in the Canadian Parliament, will bring the keynote address during the Baptist Sesquicentennial Observance, May 22-14, 1964.

The program for the Third Baptist Jubilee celebration was released here by the Joint Committee on the Baptist Jubilee Advance.

The Atlantic City event will be sponsored by seven Baptist bodies in the United States and Canada.

The meeting commemorates the founding in 1814 of the first national organization of Baptists in America, the Triennial Convention.

Theodore F. Adams of Richmond, Va. was named by the committee as chairman for the Third Baptist Jubilee year and presiding officer for the Atlantic City meetings.

Adams is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Richmond, and a former president of the Baptist World Alliance.

Evangelist Billy Graham will be the speaker for the final session of the celebration, Sunday afternoon, May 24.

Beginning with a Friday evening session, May 22, all of the meetings will be held in the 40,000-seat convention hall.

John Soren of Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, president of the Baptist World Alliance, will lead the assembled Baptists in Sunday morning worship.

Kenneth Scott Latourette, historian and former professor at Yale University, will also address the gathering.

The committee announced here that work had been completed on an oratorio especially commissioned for the celebration. The composer is Ron Nelson of Brown University. Samuel Miller of Harvard University is the author of the libretto.

Thor Johnson of Northwestern University will be the conductor for the oratorio presentation Saturday evening, May 23.

Vocalists for the oratorio will be the "Singing City" Group of Philadelphia, Pa.

The director of the vocalists will be Elaine Brown of Philadelphia.

W. Hines Sims, Nashville, Tenn. will be song leader for the three-day meeting.

Competition is under way among drama

departments of Baptist schools and colleges for an original drama to be presented during the Atlantic City meeting.

The Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma will be a part of the opening session.

Other program features include a panel discussion on Baptist distinctives and another on Baptist differences.

Reports are scheduled on the results of Baptist mission work around the world and on the results of the Baptist jubilee advance program. The latter is a five year (1959-1963) series of emphases sponsored jointly by seven Baptist bodies in North America.

Registration for the celebration will be \$4.00 single or \$5.00 for a man and wife. Included in the fee is cost of one copy of the 150th anniversary volume, Baptist Advance, for each single registration or each

couple registering.

The seven Baptist bodies include the American Baptist Convention; the Baptist Federation of Canada; the National Baptist Convention of America; The National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.; the North American Baptist General Conference; the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference; and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Edwin H. Tuller of Valley Forge, Pa., program chairman for the weekend celebration said, "This event promises to be not only the largest but also one of the most significant gatherings of the Baptists of North America in this century."

Earlier in the week of the celebration the American Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention will meet simultaneously in the Atlantic City convention hall.

The Southern Baptist Convention meets in the main auditorium, May 19-22. The American Baptist Convention meets in the grand ballroom of the convention hall May 18-22.

The two groups plan one joint session during the week.

Mexico Missions Tour Impresses 31 Laymen

By Kenneth Everett

MEMPHIS, TENN.—(BP) Thirty-one Southern Baptist laymen returned from a 3,000-mile bus tour of Baptist missions in Mexico determined to raise their gifts to the Lottie Moon Foreign Mission Offering and the Cooperative Program.

The men reached their decision to increase their financial gifts and spiritual influence for missions after hearing the testimonies of Southern Baptist missionaries and Mexican pastors and laymen during the 12-day tour of Mexican churches and missions.

The tour, sponsored by the Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, extended 100 miles south of Mexico City of Taxco, west to Guadalajara, and north to Durango and Torreon.

One of the most impressive testimonies was given by Lopez Lovera, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church at Durango, who told of how he struggled to become a Christian.

The pastor said his parents, devout Catholics in a 98-percent Catholic country, worshipped images placed in a special room of their home. Lovera's father, who offered to pay his tuition to college if he would study to become a doctor or engineer, ordered the young man from the house when he disclosed he felt a call to preach.

Van Gladen, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Torreon, pointed out the seminary, which has about 30

students enrolled, is slowly providing much needed pastors for Mexico.

At present, 30 churches and many missions among the 220 churches of the National Baptist Convention of Mexico have no pastor. Laymen now preach at the pastorless missions.

After hearing a report that Mexican pastors often receive less than \$80 monthly, Joseph Brown of Portsmouth, Va., said, "If our churches back home were not so interested in buying bigger buildings and fancier equipment, we could send enough money to secure Mexican pastors."

Although many Baptist church buildings showed a need for repairs, the Mexican congregations only asked for the laymen's prayers.

One layman observed, "We came to testify, but felt we had been testified to."

Wyatt W. Lee of Guadalajara, Baptist missionary who served as the interpreter, said the tours are developing a closer working relationship between Baptists in the two countries. It was the sixth to Mexico the Brotherhood Commission has sponsored.

Men for Tennessee on this bus tour were Thomas E. Bryant, Jr., of Murfreesboro, John S. Ridley of Smyrna, James H. Ragsdale of Ripley, Wallace E. Lunn of Nashville, and Elton J. Burrow of Galloway.

Tennessee Topics

Hawthorne Church, Dyer Association, T. C. Thurmon, pastor, ordained David Boswell to the ministry Sept. 22. T. T. Newton delivered the sermon and Isiac Campbell presented the Bible. Boswell is serving as pastor of Cumberland Mission of Hawthorne Church.

First Church, Pulaski, has purchased a five acre lot at a cost of \$11,000 to begin a mission. Sept. 22-29 Teddy Evans, missionary for McNairy County Association, held in a tent revival located on the lot. There were 12 additions. Sunday school and Training Union were organized Sept. 29. W. Floyd Cates is the Pulaski pastor.

About 500 high school young people are expected to register at Belmont College's High School Senior Day Saturday, Nov. 2. The annual emphasis serves as a drawing card not only for seniors but for other students, Baptist pastors and associational missionaries and school counselors. The program, slated to begin at 10 a.m. in the college auditorium, will consist of an orientation period, campus tours, group conferences with school division heads, lunch, and an entertainment program featuring the Belmont Glee Club. Formal activities will conclude at 2 p.m.

Memphis' Parkway Village Church capped off an eight-day revival Oct. 6 with what was termed the "most genuine, heaven-sent, spiritual revival" witnessed in Pastor H. T. Brown's 25-year-ministry. After most of the membership rededicated themselves to the Lord, 10 people joined the church by baptism and 15 by letter. This brings to a total membership of 482 for the two-year-old church which moved last year from its tent to a \$375,000 building and property. One week earlier the church closed out a year with 149 new members. Evangelist was Lucian Marion, pastor of First Church, Clarksdale, Miss. and singer, Haskell Lindsey, minister of music and education at South Highland Church, Little Rock, Ark.

Cherokee Church, Jonesboro, has celebrated its 180th anniversary. A goal has been set to be debt free within six months. James Cambron is pastor.

Midway Church in Gibson County has redecorated and refinished floors of its building. W. L. Thompson is pastor.

The congregation of Haley's Grove Church, Cumberland County Association, is enjoying a new Wurlitzer piano. Mrs. Arthur Reed celebrated a birthday on Sept. 22. Instead of receiving a gift she chose to give a gift, the piano, to the church.

Ray Dean of Orlinda has been interim pastor at Union Hill Church of Goodlettsville the past three months. John Christian, pastor of First Church, Goodlettsville, will lead in revival services beginning Oct. 28.

Donald E. Foster was ordained to the ministry by Indian Springs Church, Holston Association, Oct. 18. He is serving as pastor at Orebank Church. At the same service J. A. McKenzie and Philip Stevens were ordained as deacons.

Dallas Hardin is the new pastor of East Watauga Avenue Church, Johnson City. He came from the pastorate at Fordtown. His last day at Fordtown the note indicating the final payment of indebtedness was burned and Ernie Miller was ordained to the ministry. Miller is the new pastor of Fall Creek Church, Holston Association.

Fort Robinson, Kingsport, A. Tom Crawford, pastor, started a mission Sunday school recently in the Barker Apartments.

Beaumont Avenue, Knoxville, ordained Don Blaylock to the ministry. Blaylock is minister of music and education at Beaumont Avenue and formerly held the same position with Unaka Avenue Church, Johnson City.

The new pastor of Cherokee Hills Church, Morristown, is Clifford Haynes. He came to Morristown from Virginia Avenue Church, Bristol, Tenn. Cherokee Hills is 10 years old. It has physical property valued at more than \$75,00.

The first capping exercises in Union University's new nursing education program were held Oct. 4. Sixteen student nurses met the academic requirements for the first year's work and received the nurses caps and bandage scissors. Union inaugurated the two-year nursing curriculum, the first of its kind in Tennessee, in Sept., 1962. Students may graduate in 21 months receiving the Associates in Arts in Nursing and becoming eligible to take Tennessee's State Board of Nursing examination for license to practice as a registered nurse.

Hart Chosen Resident Supt. Franklin Children's Home



Lucius W. Hart has been elected resident superintendent of the Middle Tennessee branch of the Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes located at Franklin. Hart who has been pastor of First Church, Old Hickory, since 1951 will begin his new work Nov. 1.

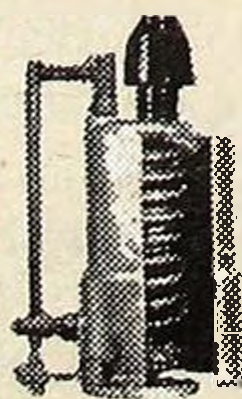
His election by the Board of Managers Oct. 8 was upon the unanimous recommendation of the Middle Tennessee Advisory Committee. Hart has been a member of the Board of Managers for five years and president of the Board the past two years.

A native of Charleston, S. C., he is a graduate of Clemson College and Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He served pastorates at Ardmore, Mt. Pleasant, First Church, Gallatin, in this state and First Church, Athens, Ala., before going to Old Hickory. He served as moderator of Nashville Baptist Association 1960-61, and is a trustee of Mid State Hospital and a member of the Sunday School Board, SBC.

Mrs. Hart is the former Virginia Merrell of the Cash Point Community near Ardmore. They have a daughter, Fredina, a registered nurse at Baptist Hospital, Nashville. A son, Edward, is a Junior at Carson-Newman College.

Hart succeeds John M. Wenger who resigned in July to accept a teaching position at Cleveland.

Close to one-third of the students at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, have indicated that they will enter a church related vocation after completing their formal education. In a recent survey, 114 men said they plan to enter the pastorate. C-N has 65 students who are preaching regularly. A number of the young preachers are serving as pastors of churches in East Tennessee.



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DEATHS

Grover Cleveland Brown, Cleveland, died Oct. 3, after a sudden illness. He was 77. He was a trustee of East Tennessee Baptist Hospital, Knoxville.

Mrs. Rosa Branson Hylton, 81, of Knoxville, mother of Mrs. Roy Starmer, missionary to Rome, Italy, died Oct. 4. She was a member of Lincoln Park Church and a former teacher of the TEL Sunday school class of Oakwood Church, Knoxville.

Dayton B. Waymon of 1643 Cuba-Millington Road, Memphis died Oct. 8. He was a deacon of Mount Pisgah Church, where he supervised and aided in the construction of a new sanctuary in 1957.

Charles A. Trentham, pastor of First Church, Knoxville, was the Religious Emphasis Week speaker at Berry College, Mount Berry, Ga., Oct. 13-17.

First Church, Huntingdon, observed a "Double Your Gift Day" Sept. 29 to eliminate debt incurred in erection of its auditorium in 1955. First payment was made soon after Jonas L. Stewart, present pastor came. Since then, a \$23,000 pastor's home has been purchased, carpets installed, a grand piano bought, the entire church building air-conditioned, and the educational building completely reworked. Organized Dec. 31, 1888, the church plans erection of additional educational space to celebrate its 75th anniversary.

Madison-Chester Association—Frank Kemper has resigned as pastor of Friendship Church, Medina, to become pastor of Pinson Church. Nashway's pastor, Earl Wells, has resigned to become pastor of Holly Grove Church in Big Hatchie Association. Lawrence Green has resigned as pastor of North Jackson Church to become pastor of First Church, Rector, Ark.

Cumberland Association—Hughes Clardy resigned as pastor of Cumberland City Church and accepted the pastorate of Epley Church, Russellville, Ky. V. F. Sledd, who served St. Bethlehem Church four months, resigned and accepted a church near Mayfield, Ky. where he came from when he accepted St. Bethlehem. Little Hope Church has called John Gamble as pastor. Mt. Sinai has called Thurman Richardson as pastor.

Hickory Grove Church, Trenton, celebrated its 100th anniversary Oct. 6. Lynn Claybrook of Memphis, ordained by Hickory Grove, gave the devotional. F. D. Stone, a former pastor for 15 years, in his message reminded them that Jesus came not to reform men but to recreate men. The congregation worships in its second building, erected in 1926. An addition recently completed houses two nurseries, a kitchen and more class room space.

Pleasant Heights Church Constituted



COLUMBIA—This is the sanctuary of Pleasant Heights Church which was constituted Sept. 1. Robert E. Lee, pastor of First Church, presided over the service. B. Carter Elmore who has served as pastor of the mission since July 1962 was called as pastor of the new church. The mission began as a result of a comprehensive study made by the Planning and Survey Committee of First Church and the pur-

chase of a 7½ acre tract of land on the Mt. Pleasant Highway. When the first services were held in the new building, Sept. 2, 1962, there were 193 enrolled in Sunday school, 97 in Training Union, and 157 united with the mother church. Since the mission opened there have been 26 baptisms, an increase of 155 in Sunday school enrollment and 78 in Training Union, states Miss Thelma Campbell, clerk.

Carl Triplett, Morristown, and Miss Helen Ardway of Church Hill, will return to Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Oct. 25, to participate in the alumni homecoming program. Alumni officers are Rev. and Mrs. Wallace Starr, Church Hill, president and secretary respectively.

Eight-year old Highland Park Church, Lawrenceburg, has had a consistent, steady growth from its 60 in Sunday school in the beginning to an average of 298. Sixty-three members hold Christian Training diplomas. During its first seven years J. P. Stockman served as pastor. J. Arnold Porter has been pastor the past year. Paul Norwood and Sherrill Knott have served as superintendents of the Sunday school. C. W. McCrory has served as superintendent of training for eight years.

Riverside Church, Nashville, had a total of 123 decisions in revival services led by Edward G. Robinson, Lebanon. There were eight for baptism, two by statement and three by letter. J. F. Mick, music director of the church, led the singing. J. O. Carter is pastor.

C. M. Glass began his work as associate pastor of Lincoln Park Church, Knoxville, Oct. 7 coming from the pastorate of Ramsey Heights Church, also of Knoxville.

Deacons Ordained

Roellen, Dyer AssociationL. V. Ramey and J. L. Hooper.

First, HumboldtH. B. Fisher and Russell Ford

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Worship That Is Not Worship

Isa. 1:10-17

By Lawrence Martin

The message of the Lord to his people Judah in the opening chapter of Isaiah is after the analogy of a trial. It has been called "the Great Arraignment." The charges are brought by God, who is both judge and plaintiff. He accuses Judah, the defendant, of rebellion and gross sinfulness. Heaven and earth, as assessors, are invoked to hear the Lord's plea. The Lord's witness is the prophet.

The evidence brought forth is the condition of the land itself. There is corruption in government. The general state of affairs is unsettled; and the threat of invasion by Assyria is real. Social abuses and unrest, resentment and race hatred are rife. From the religious standpoint, Judah has wicked priests and superstitious people. Sin and immorality abound on every hand.

The people voice their defense, which consists in their regular attendance upon the times and places of worship and in their sacrifices in worship. But God gives the countercharge in describing the true nature of the worship to which they refer.

Sacrifice Without Soul-Searching (vv. 10-11)

God compares the rulers of Jerusalem to the rulers of Sodom and the people of Jerusalem to the people of Gomorrah. Emphasizing their wickedness and their peril, he wants no more such sacrifice.

They have sacrificed to promote various spiritual ends. Men have given means, time, talents, their very lives—to mistaken ends. They have fought crusades that needed not to have been fought, but which to them were the very essence of righteousness. The heat with which a cause is promoted—and the sacrifice and effort put forth to gain an end—are no indication of the rightness of the cause. Sacrifice for any cause should come from souls dedicated sincerely to God and the right—from souls in which sin is confessed and right motives are evident.

They have sacrificed as a means of salvation, but in this they have only been deceiving themselves. In all their worship, conscience was asleep, and they were drenched in wickedness.

Don't keep on acting, Isaiah says in effect, as if God is not a reasonable being, as if there were a fool on the throne of the universe. The Lord sees through the idle forms of worship, the professions loudly exclaimed. He looks on the heart. To the prophet, God is holy, transcending glory; but God is also practical, inspecting us, taking interest in us.

Meetings Without Meaning (vv. 12-14)

They have come to worship, but they do not know the meaning of worship. They have been coming together from habit, or

inclination, or from a sense of obligation. Little do they know that worship is to revere, to honor, to adore, to admire, to respect, to commune with, God!

They continue to come, and without caring to find out what worship means.

God declares that he will have no more vain offerings. He lets them know through the prophet that there is no further need for them to "trample my courts." This is said in sarcasm. He feels insulted that men with such hearts should pretend to come into his presence.

Yet they come, worshipping they know not whom or what. Trampling the courts of the Lord, they go forth just as ignorant of God and his ways, as sinful, as weak and frail—as before. And it need not be so. "You will seek me and find me; when you seek me with all your heart" (Jer. 29:13).

Prayer Without Penitence (v. 15)

What resources prayer opens to men! Forgiveness for the erring, Strength for the weak, Courage for the fearful, Comfort for the sad, Company for the lonely, Help for the helpless, and Hope for the hopeless.

But it is not real prayer that comes from impure hearts. Their prayer is not that of the publican, pleading for mercy and forgiveness. They see nothing really for which they need forgiveness. Or if they realize any wrongdoing, it does not bother them. The hands they lift with such pomposity, such piosity, such pretense, are covered with blood. And God will not listen. He will hide his very eyes from the raising of such hypocritical hands.

Ritual Without Righteousness (vv. 16-17)

God is impatient with worship that does not meet the needs of the people. He issues a plea for spiritual cleansing on their part: "Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean . . . cease to do evil."

There is also a plea for positive righteousness: "Learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; defend the fatherless, plead for the widow." Conversion is more than turning from sin: It is also turning to righteousness. When one knows God, the world can tell it by how he lives and reacts. "Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord" (Ps. 40:3b).

We see, then, God's indictment of Judah, as he tells the nation of worship that is not worship: Sacrifice without soulsearching, Meetings without meaning, Prayer without penitence, and Ritual without righteousness.

In observing this, let us in our day behold the worship that is worship: The soul has been searched; Meetings have meaning; Prayer is made from penitent hearts; and Righteousness is the order of the day.

Martin is pastor of First Church, Dickson

Steel Pier Is Where Pastors To Assemble

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (BP)—The Steel Pier in Atlantic City will be the meeting place for the 1964 Southern Baptist Convention Pastors' Conference May 18-19, according to Wayne Dehoney, Jackson, Tenn., president of the Conference.

Over 5,000 seats will be available for those attending the Conference.

The Seaside Hotel, directly in front of the Steel Pier, has been designated as the Pastors' Conference Hotel. The Seaside is one of the newest hotel-motel on the Boardwalk, according to Dehoney.

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Baptist Exhibit Contracts Signed For World's Fair

WASHINGTON (BP)—Six Baptist bodies in North America were represented in the signing here of space rental and construction contracts for a Baptist exhibit at the New York World's Fair.

The exhibit will occupy six hundred square feet of floor space in the Protestant Center at the 1964-65 fair.

The display will feature a semi-circle of eight white arches against a black background, each arch depicting a phase of Baptist involvement in the Christian cause.

Plans call for lights, sound, and mechanical motion to dramatize the theme, "For Liberty And Light."

Illuminated maps, push-button control of information panels, a two-volume facsimile of a Gutenberg Bible, rear-projection of color pictures, plus black and white photo-murals will help tell the Baptist story.

Space in the Protestant Center is leased at \$75 per square foot for the two six-month fair seasons.

General Exhibits, Inc. of Philadelphia, Pa. will build the display for approximately \$15,750.

Baptist agencies will provide personnel to man the exhibit, plus other services and materials.

Representing the sponsoring bodies in the development of the exhibit are: R. Dean Goodwin of Valley Forge, Pa., American Baptist Convention; Harold Trinier of Toronto, Ont., Baptist Federation of Canada; E. A. Freeman of Kansas City, Mo., National Baptist Convention, USA., Inc.; Martin Leuschner of Forest Park, Ill., North American Baptist General Conference; Leon Maltby of Plainfield, N. J., Seventh Day Baptist General Conference; W. C. Fields of Nashville, Tenn., Southern Baptist Convention.

The World's Fair opens April 22, 1964.

Magazines Ruled Obscene Burned

PHILADELPHIA (RNS)—Some 900 parishioners of the Messiah Lutheran church watched here as their pastor and city officials burned magazines regarded as obscene in a portable barbecue pit on the church steps.

According to the pastor, the Rev. W. Carter Merbreier, the magazines were burned to dramatize the parishioners' opposition to their availability in drug stores, notion shops and newsstands throughout the city. The magazines used in the burning had been impounded by police during raids.

Participating with the pastor were Police Commissioner Howard R. Leary; Chief Inspector Harry Fox, a prominent Methodist layman; and Dr. Allen H. Wetter, Philadelphia superintendent of schools and for many years a Presbyterian Sunday school teacher.

State Student Convention



Rev. John Laida

CLARKSVILLE—The State Baptist Student Convention will be held in First Church here Nov. 1-3. Rev. John Laida is host pastor. Bob Bailey, student at Carson-Newman College, is state president.

The Convention opens at 7:15 Friday evening with a worship period including a student testimony. Special music will be by the UT, Martin, BSU Choir. Rev. Bill Lawson will speak on "Freedom From Bondage." A reception honoring program personnel and student summer missionaries will close the evening session.

Other features of the program include a panel discussion to be moderated by Dr. Robert S. Denny. Panel members are Dr. William Hall Preston, Mrs. Owen F. Herring, Laida and Lawson. Special music for the Convention will be presented by Belmont, Carson-Newman, Union Univer-



Bob Bailey

sity, Mid State Baptist Hospital BSU Choirs, and the Baptist Memorial Hospital Trio.

Other messages will be delivered by Dr. James L. Sullivan, Mrs. Herring, Dr. W. Fred Kendall, Dr. Preston. The closing address will be Sunday morning at 9:20 by Dr. Denny.

HMB Appoints 16 For Mission Work

ATLANTA (BP)—The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has commissioned 16 missionaries to various ministers across the United States, including work with the deaf, Spanish-speaking, and Negroes.

The recent appointments make a total of 2,201 missionaries now serving under this agency, most in cooperation with state mission boards.

BWA Leader Stricken

Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, has cut short a schedule of speaking engagements in Australia and New Zealand because of illness. Baptist World Alliance offices in Washington said that after a few days of rest in Melbourne he will return to the states. He has been in Australia since Sept. 23. (BP)

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FMB Reaches 15-Year Goals; Honors Leader For 10 Years

In annual meeting in Richmond, Va., October 8-10, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention:

1. Voiced praise to God for the realization of a 15-year-old dream of having more than 1,750 missionaries overseas backed by a budget of more than \$20,000,000.

2. Appointed eight new missionaries for a total overseas staff of 1,795 (including 27 missionary associates).

3. Adopted a budget of \$22,133,031.96 for 1964, an increase of \$1,692,124.00 over that for 1963.

4. Accepted the resignation of Dr. Elmer S. West, Jr., secretary for missionary personnel, and elected Dr. Jesse C. Fletcher, associate secretary, to succeed him.

5. Revised the employment age range of missionary associates, setting it at 35 through 59.

6. Heard Dr. K. Owen White, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, say that Southern Baptists need to take a long, hard look at what they are doing at home and around the world to see if they need to change their methods or approaches in view of a changing world.

7. Honored Dr. Baker J. Cauthen at a luncheon in recognition of his 10 years as executive secretary. He responded by calling it "an anniversary of a team of men and women (some no longer among us) who have pulled together."

8. Heard a resolution adopted by the missionaries in Nigeria calling on Baptists to "acknowledge the fact that there is a serious moral problem involved in race relations," to "examine our attitudes and position in the light of New Testament teachings," and to "work toward the solution of race problems, realizing that only as these problems are solved can the Great Commission be fully carried out."

9. Adopted the following recommendation: "That in examining the doctrinal positions of candidates for the mission field and of personnel for the headquarters staff, the Foreign Mission Board confine itself within the limits of the Statement of Faith and Message adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in May, 1963."

10. Re-elected Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, of Jacksonville, Fla., president, and Dr. Meredith K. Roberson, of Richmond, first vice-president; elected Dr. J. Ralph Grant, of Lubbock, Tex., second vice-president, succeeding Rev. George R. Wilson, Sr., of Phoenix, Ariz., who rotates off the Board next year; and re-elected Rev. W. Rush Loving, of Richmond, recording secretary,

and Miss Inez Tuggle, of Richmond, assistant recording secretary.

No Summons to Relax

When the program of advance in foreign missions was adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1948 there were 625 foreign missionaries under appointment for 19 countries. "To many, the objective of 1,750 missionaries reinforced by \$20,000,000 seemed to be fantastic and unrealistic," Dr. Cauthen said in his report to the Board. "It called for resources which seemed far beyond any possibility. But with the eight missionaries appointed in this meeting and others who will come for appointment in December we will close the year with more than 1,800 missionaries serving in 53 countries."

"The reaching of this objective is not a summons to relax," Dr. Cauthen said, "but a summons for girding up afresh for the battle. A glance at the map of the world with its vast areas where we have no witness brings a sense of rebuke to our hearts. A closer examination of the map indicates that while we have entered many lands the entry has been fragmentary and partial. There is no country in which we serve where the needs are not far out of proportion to what we have able thus far to do."

He listed the following as imperatives for the future: A greater emphasis on evangelism by word and deed; the planting and growing of New Testament churches; leadership training in theological seminaries and other institutions of learning, which "must always hold a high priority in the task of worldwide missions"; and ministries of love and mercy among masses of humanity in distress, "that the world may know the love of Jesus Christ."

To accompany this "fresh new surge forward in sharing Christ with the whole world," Dr. Cauthen said, "there must be sustained increase of missionary volunteers, sustained increase of financial resources to send them, and mighty intercessory prayer to hold them near the heart of their Lord."

Nigerian Missionaries Ask Solution of Race Problems

The missionaries in Nigeria are "deeply conscious of what has been happening in the United States and aware of the effect that this may have upon their efforts," Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, told the Board. In their recent annual meeting, he said, they reaffirmed and expanded a resolution on race relations they had adopted in 1957. The 1957 resolution reads in part as follows:

"We, the missionaries of the Nigerian Baptist Mission of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, have become increasingly aware of the degree to which relationships between the white and Negro races in American determine the effectiveness of carrying out our mission task in Nigeria."

"Nigerians are acutely conscious of the problems of race relations in America, they identify themselves with the American Negro, and they consider racism in any form unjust."

"We believe that racism is inconsistent with, and a hindrance to, the world mission task to which Southern Baptists have committed themselves."

"We sincerely commend Southern Baptist individuals and institutions for the rapid progress made in recent years toward elimination of racism and for the service they have rendered in meeting the spiritual, educational, and social needs of all men."

This year the missionaries unanimously added the following: "We call on our fellow Baptists to acknowledge the fact that there is a serious moral problem involved We urge all Baptists to work toward the solution of race problems, realizing that only as these problems are solved can the Great Commission be fully carried out."

Dr. Goerner also read to the Board part of a letter written September 23 by a veteran missionary in Nigeria:

"On television here last week it was reported that the Vice-Premier of the Western Region of Nigeria had sent a message to the American Ambassador serving in Nigeria. The statement was made in the report that the race situation was becoming unbearable and that if something was not done soon there would be definite public reaction to the situation existing in the United States. I had a feeling of uneasiness such as I had not experienced before, although only a few days ago I had remarked that I did not see how this could continue much longer without having serious effect on the attitude of Nigerians toward us who serve in this country."

"In Nigeria there has always been a spirit of love and tolerance shown toward the white people who serve here. We do continue to pray for the situation; we pray that in some way our Baptist people at home may be challenged to realize more completely the seriousness of the conditions and the effect on the rest of the world."

Lay Witness Stressed

"Churches and mission stations are increasing at a rapid rate in Latin America," Dr. Frank K. Means, area secretary, told the Board in his report. "Lay leadership is partly responsible for this explosive growth. Members of Latin-American churches take

Helen Jarrett Receives Promotion



On November 1 Miss Jarrett becomes Director of Junior Work with her title being Director of Junior and Office Work. Junior work is not a new field to Miss Jarrett. She has been serving as Junior Approved Worker for the past three years.

Miss Jarrett came to the department as Office Secretary in June, 1955 on completing her work at Belmont College where she received her B.S. degree. In the summer of 1950 she served on the staff at Ridgecrest; 1950-51 worked in the Order Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board; 1951-55 worked in the Business Office and Library at Belmont, College. While a student at Belmont, she worked during the summer in the Training Union Department of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. In the summer of 1962 Miss Jarrett attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

She is a member of the Judson Memorial Baptist Church where she is active Miss Jarrett as Director of the Junior Department in Training Union and Superintendent of an Intermediate Sunday school Department.

We are happy to present Miss Jarrett to Tennessee Baptists.

seriously their God-given responsibility to witness to the lost."

He said that missionaries are sensing a need for greater emphasis upon lay leadership training for evangelistic outreach and that churches are awakening to "unexploited opportunities and inescapable responsibilities" in this realm. Short-term and weekly institutes are being in urban and rural areas, he reported, and encampments, retreats, and study courses are being utilized. Missionary activities accompany this training.

The Associational Sunday School Witnessing Campaign

by Bob Patterson

How may a church participate in a Sunday School Witnessing Campaign?

Any pastor may purchase from a Baptist Book Store a copy of Dr. Othal Feather's booklet, *A Manual for Promoting Personal Evangelism Through the Sunday School*. A church may use this book for initiating the witnessing program in the Sunday School.

Another approach is for the church to participate in an Associational Sunday School Witnessing Campaign. Across the state and nation many associations are going to be engaging in Witnessing Campaigns next January, February, and March, just prior to and in preparation for the 1964 Jubilee Revivals.

In Tennessee a number of men have received the benefit of one or more special training sessions provided by the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board and the Evangelism Division of the Home Mission Board.

These men were enlisted by the Tennessee Sunday School Department and trained in special sessions at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, at the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, and at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly.

During October, 1963, three refresher courses are provided in East, Middle and West Tennessee, by the Tennessee Sunday School Department. At these sessions a final study is made of latest developments in the program, new materials are examined, and final plans made.

The Sunday School and Evangelism Departments of the Tennessee Baptist Convention are working together in enlisting the associations to participate in the Campaigns. Associations wishing to participate should write immediately to: Bob Patterson, Sunday School Department, 1812 Belmont Boulevard, Nashville, Tennessee, 37212.

The Sunday School Department will:

1. Furnish the director, paying his travel expenses and honorarium
2. Provide materials for director and pastors.

The Association will be expected to:

1. Enlist the pastors and churches
2. Furnish a meeting place for the morning sessions
3. Provide meals and lodging for the director while he is in the association.

For the Campaign the following schedule should be provided:

1. *Preparation Meeting I*—6 to 8 weeks before campaign
2. *Preparation Meeting II*—3 to 4 weeks before campaign
3. *Check-up Meeting*—Friday or Saturday before the campaign starts on Monday.
4. *The Campaign Proper*—3 consecutive mornings in which the director instructs the pastors (preferably Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday)—AND—on the same three nights the pastors direct the workers in their churches.

Plans work *only* when people work them. The Witnessing Campaign is *one* plan. It will work if we are willing to work at it, and let the Holy Spirit work in and through us. Let us pray about this matter and give God a chance to work through us for Revival.



by R. Earl Allen, pastor of Rosen Heights Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas

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Twelve Golden Financial Years For Tennessee Baptist Education

By Gene Kerr

During the twelve year period, 1951-1962, the Baptist churches of Tennessee through their Cooperative Program and designated gifts have contributed to their academy and three colleges \$8,061,429.00 for their capital and operating budgets. These have been Golden Financial Years for Tennessee Baptist schools. This volume of contributions perhaps equals or slightly exceeds the total gifts of the churches to their schools for the preceding 75 years.

What is still more encouraging is the fact of the steady rate of annual increase. In 1951 the total of Cooperative Program and other contributions of the churches to Christian education amounted to \$311,058.00 in comparison with the 1962 giving of \$955,383.00. This is an increase in the 12 years of 207.14%.

One of the most encouraging features of this picture is the steady increase of the giving of Tennessee Baptist churches to their Cooperative Program work. In 1951 the Tennessee Baptist Convention's share for all of its work was \$898,968.00 of which \$253,389.00 or 28.19% was allocated to the four institutions. The 1962 Cooperative Program receipts that were used for the support of the Tennessee Baptist Cooperative Ministries totaled \$2,426,335.00. Of this amount \$923,149.00, or 38.05% was disbursed to the four schools.

White this increase has not nearly met the needs of the colleges that had been accumulating through nearly a century of trying poverty, its rate of growth has been phenomenal. It is a continuing testimonial to the blessings of God and the growth of the interest and liberality of the churches in seeking to meet the growing needs of Christian education.

Cooperative Program Distribution To Tennessee Baptist Schools

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51	\$ 898,969	\$253,389	28.19%
52	991,204	295,185	29.78
53	1,284,834	386,382	30.07
54	1,379,963	416,139	30.15
55	1,519,320	443,233	29.17
56	1,592,253	456,897	28.70
57	1,684,758	601,815	35.72
58	1,763,423	635,414	36.03
59	1,957,761	704,293	35.98
60	2,029,597	719,406	35.45
61	2,347,622	859,346	36.60
62	2,426,335	923,149	38.05

If the present plan and practice is continued, it is not too much to hope that similar program in the next 12 years will have gone far towards meeting the exceptional needs of our excellent educational institutions.

Mr. Kerr is administrative assistant, Executive Board, Tennessee Baptist Convention, Nashville.

Paper Withdrawn; Race Interview Factor

ATLANTA, Ga. (RNS)—Thirteen thousand copies of the official newspaper of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta have been sold for scrap because of an interview in which publisher Ralph McGill of the Atlanta Constitution charged the local Episcopal leadership with "hyocrisy" in its relationships with Lovett School.

A revised edition of the recently established newspaper, *Diocese*, is to be published instead.

The decision of the Rev. Milton L. Wood, editor of *Diocese* and assistant to Bishop Randolph Claiborne, Jr., to delete a portion of the McGill interview caused four members of the paper's advisory board to issue a statement of protest.

About 50 copies of the original edition were mailed before publication date. The rest were to have been mailed to Episcopal parishioners about a week later.

Mr. Wood said he did not believe Mr. McGill was correctly quoted and that the portion of the interview originally printed was "taken out of context."

Buck Donaldson New BSU Director At Vanderbilt



Rev. Buck Donaldson will serve as Baptist Student Director at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, while he is in the United States on furlough from his work as a Southern Baptist missionary in Tanganyika, West Africa.

Born in New Verda, La., Donaldson lived in several Louisiana towns as a boy. He received the B. S. degree from Louisiana State University and the B. D. degree from New Orleans Baptist Seminary. He served as president of the Baptist Student Union at L. S. U., and as Louisiana State B. S. U. president.

Before going to Africa, Donaldson was pastor of Bethel Church, Townsend, Tenn. He is married to the former Barbara Hasty, M.D. They have two daughters.

Donaldson succeeds George Jones, who resigned Sept. 1 to accept a Danforth Fellowship for completion of the Ed. D. degree.



FAYETTEVILLE—William Carey Association recently purchased this new brick home for approximately \$16,000 for use by its missionary. The house, located in the King Addition, features three bedrooms, den, basement and associational office. Boyd LeCroy is missionary.

—Christian Love—

TEXTS: I Corinthians 11:2 to 13:13 (Larger)
—I Corinthians 12:31b-13:13 (Printed).

A department topic suggested for this lesson is "More Powerful Than the Atom". This is indeed thought-provoking, for what could be more powerful in the spiritual realm than genuine Christian love? In order to get at what is involved, however, it is necessary to examine three Greek words which were used for our word "love". Let us illustrate each of them. The first is seen on the purely animal plane as when the male and female are attracted to each other solely because of sex. Dogs, horses and even mankind sometimes never go higher than this level. The Greeks called it "eros". The second is where human beings enjoy mere friendship when together. It is best observed in healthy social relationships. It is much higher than the sexual level. The Greeks called it "phileo". The third is seen when God sent His only begotten Son into the world to suffer and die on the Cross. It is sacrificial and utterly unselfish. It even goes out to those who may hate in return. The Greeks called it "agape". And it is this word used here in the printed passage as well as in numerous other New Testament passages where the concept of love within the Christian's life is mentioned. Some three ideas may be found in the specific lesson passage before us and with the above topic in mind.

Indispensable (vv. 31b-3)

A person who possesses the ability of "tongues", whether of eloquence or ecstasy (as these verses suggest) and at the same time has no Christian love, is compared to a mere musical instrument. Another who

can prophesy, or another who knows and understands much, or another who perchance possesses great faith—all such persons are in reality as nothing if Christian love is lacking. It is possible, according to the teaching here, for one to sacrifice himself without such love. This is another way of saying that Christian love is indispensable. Here we come face to face with searching doctrine, to scrutinize only the last item. Jesus' word concerning losing and finding one's life sheds some light (see Mt. 10:39). One must lose his life for Christ's sake in order to find it. Self-sacrifice, as such, is not enough. Indeed one may, unless motivated by Christian love, give self and as Paul writes here "it profiteth me nothing".

Indefinable (vv. 4-7)

Christian love cannot be defined. It is too great. It has too many characteristics. Because it comes from God it cannot be completely grasped. But the writer names and describes briefly some fifteen characteristics of such love. A classic discussion of them may be found in Henry Drummond's sermon, "The Greatest Thing in All the World". Here he compares Christian love to a beam of light, after which he proceeds to pass these verses through a sort of prism in order to identify its "colors". Paul writes first that Christian love "suffereth long". He writes last that it "endureth all things". The reader should ponder much the entire passage, chiefly to discover if any of these characteristics are missing in what he has considered to be present in his own life. Among the derivations from the actual wording found here are such qualities as patience, humility, courtesy and purity of heart. It cannot be over-emphasized that all of the characteristics are essentially Godly ones and should therefore serve as goals as well as descriptions.

Indestructible (vv. 8-13)

The verses begin with "love never fails". They end with "now abideth . . . love . . . the greatest of these is love". Tongues, prophecies and knowledge—all will cease or vanish away. An illustration of the vanishing aspect of knowledge is seen in the fact that scientific books must be revised or completely re-written ever so often. The highest knowledge, Paul suggests, is to know God. The way, he intimates, is to know Him through love. John writes that "God is love" (I Jn. 4:8b). In the preceding verse he says, "every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God". Since the Greek word used here is "agape", it must be concluded that he is writing about Christian love. And this is of course indestructible.

David J. Irby To Teach Bible At Memphis State



Dr. David J. Irby will be teacher of Bible at Memphis State University for the 1963-64 school year. The teaching program is sponsored jointly by the Department of Student Work, Tennessee Baptist Convention, Union University, and Shelby County Baptist Association. College credit is given to students completing the course.

A native of Mississippi, Dr. Irby received the B. S. degree from the University of Southern Mississippi, and the B. D. and Th. D. degree from New Orleans Baptist Seminary. He is currently serving as pastor of Hollywood Church, Memphis. He and Mrs. Irby, the former Marilyn Woodham of Mississippi, are parents of three daughters.

Baptist Film Center Opens

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Baptist Film Center, 212 Speed Building, Fourth and Guthrie Streets, opened Oct. 1 to serve the audiovisual needs of Southern Baptists in a seven-state area, including Tennessee. The Center is operated by the Broadman Films department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, to serve the film needs formerly cared for by Baptist book stores.

Baptist HOSPITALity

A new journal of the Baptist Hospital Association "Baptist HOSPITALity" has been presented to each patient in 26 hospitals in the 48 member association. Its fate will depend on patient responses. More than 750,000 persons are admitted to Baptist hospitals each year. The publication is an attractive venture containing a variety of materials beamed to the interest of hospital patients. It is edited by T. Sloane Guy, Secretary, Baptist Hospital Association, 2700 Napoleon Avenue, New Orleans, La.



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TRAVELER AIDS FOR SEEDS*

By Ruby Lee Ballantyne

Last summer at her home on the Pacific Coast, Marie found something exciting in her garden.

"Mother, come here," she called. "Come and see the funny-looking flower blooming in my garden. It looks like—why, it looks like a grinning monkey's face."

"Now, Marie," Mother laughed at Marie's imagination, "it doesn't."

But when she looked at the large-spotted petals of the small rusty-colored flower, she, too, had the impression of seeing a monkey's face.

"Why, it does look like a South American plant known as the monkey's dinner bell. Let's check in our flower book."

Soon they learned that it was, indeed, the monkey flower.

"How did the seed get planted in my garden?" asked Marie.

Have you ever wondered about seed? You have seen wild patches of beauty blossoming in desolate, deserted fields. At times, Daddy's luxuriously velvet lawn suddenly has become populated with determined dandelions. How did the seed get there? Certainly no one planted them.

Seed are persistent travelers going by land, sea, and air. Some seed coast. Some crawl. Some go with our help or with the help of an animal. Others just go with the wind. In the case of Marie's monkey flower, the seed could have been carried in the sand ballast of a ship and scattered when the sand was unloaded.

Birds also help seed to get hundreds of miles away. The little seed are carried in the mud on the birds' feet. Birds also carry off seed in food, dropping the seed after the food is eaten. Small animals help birds scatter such seed as the acorn, pinon nut, Indian rice grass, and Utah juniper.

Some of the air-borne seed actually have wings. Others are equipped with parachutes. The winged seed, such as the maple, basswood, and ash, can also float on water to drift far downstream or across a lake.

The dandelion is one of the most common seed to travel with a parachute. When a dandelion's blowball head is ripe, each seed has a long tail tipped with a parachute or fluffy hairs. The wind snatches the seed and, held up by their parachutes, carries them far away.

When one floats to earth, the seed, which is the heavier end, sinks a little if the ground is soft. The first rain may beat it in, or any animal may trample it into the earth. So it is planted.

God's Wondrous World* On Mountain Ledges

By Thelma C. Carter

When in high places, such as mountain ledges, peaks, and slopes, most of us have a special warning sense that protects us. "Be careful!" a still, small voice within us seems to say. How grateful we are that the Creator gives us this inner danger signal.

Wild creatures, too, must recognize danger, for many live in high mountain areas. These animals have an almost magical sense of danger when facing loose rocks and narrow ledges.

You can see this careful behavior in the actions of your pet cat or dog. If you place it on a ladder rung, it will size up the distance to the ground before it leaps.

Animals usually stand back, with front feet rigid. Then they study the situation before them before moving. Naturalists have studied the behavior of turtles, rats, coyotes, leopards, weasels, and mountain sheep and goats. They are amazed at the sense of looking before leaping that these animals possess.

Turtles have their own way of sizing up danger. They usually back away from the edge of a mountain ledge. Then they move about carefully until they find a safe sliding and tumbling area.

Rats, coyotes, sheep, and goats leap from ledge to ledge with amazing safety. Leopards and all members of the cat family have a keen sense of distance and of a pinpoint

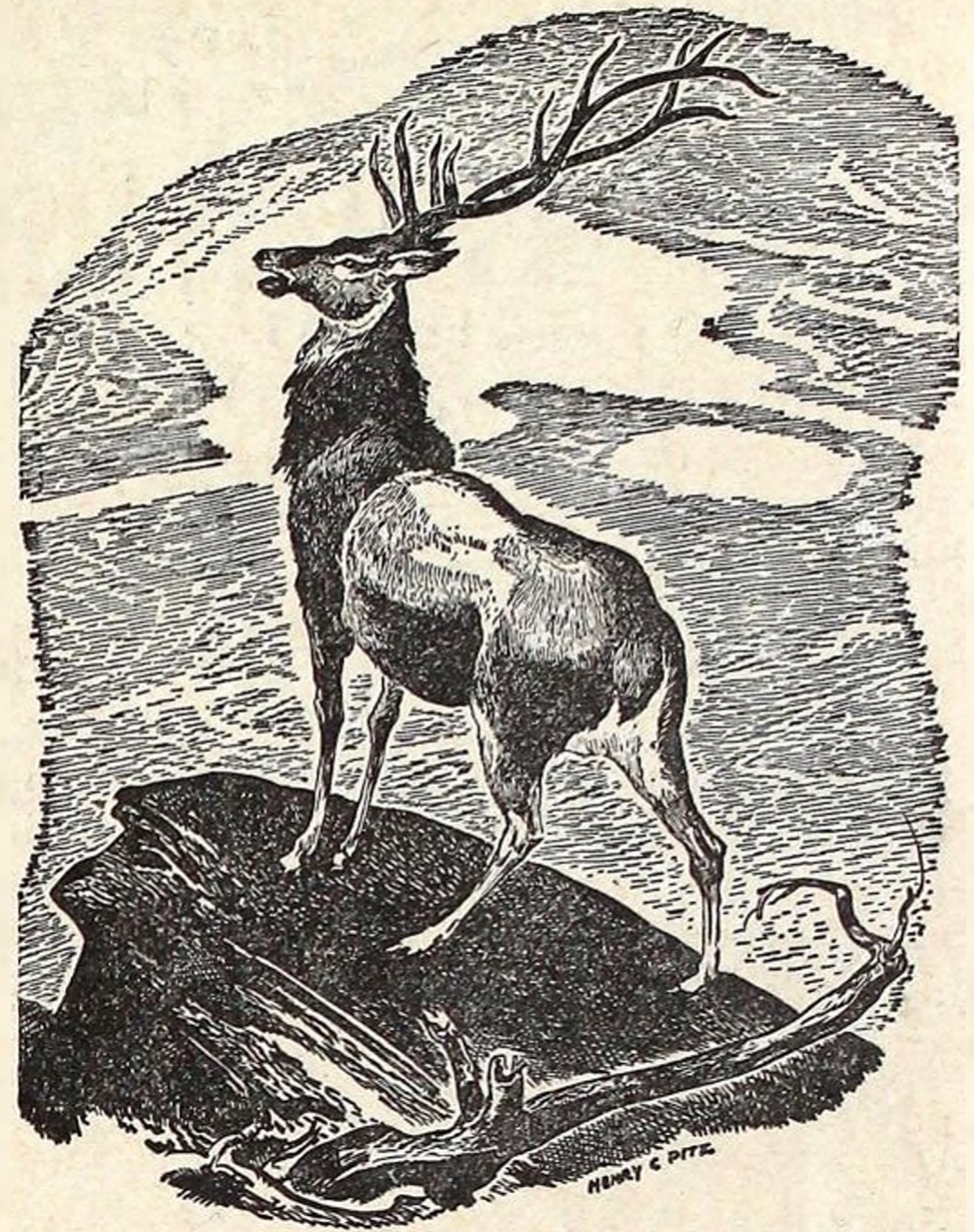
Other parachute-type seed come from milkweeds, cattails, and woodbines.

Some seed are not equipped with wings or parachutes yet are blown in the breeze. These include iris, cotton, and poppy seed. They don't travel as far as those with parachutes.

The tumbleweed has a unique method for reseeding itself anywhere and everywhere. The entire plant dries up and rolls along the ground, dropping its seed as it goes.

We call seed, such as cockleburrs, stick-tights, sandburs, and Spanish needles, hitchhikers. They stick to clothing, fur, and various articles. Thus, they are transported by animals or someone like yourself.

When you weed the garden, you probably wish that seed didn't travel so easily. Then you see a beautiful flower growing in the crevice of a seemingly solid rock cliff. You see an unexpected majestic pine tree gracing a most unlikely spot. These sights help you realize that the spreading of seed is one of God's ways of surrounding us with beauty and showing us again how he has planned for life to continue.



area on which to land. Nature gives wild creatures soft pads on their feet, claws, hoofs, and strong toes to help them get a firm foothold.

Wonderfully true is the fact that wild creatures teach their young, from the time they are able to stand alone, to look and to be careful of high places. Sometimes baby animals are butted and shoved from ledge to ledge in order that they may learn their safety lessons early.

The Heavenly Father has given all creatures their instincts and abilities to judge danger. "The Lord is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works" (Psalm 145:9).

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Laughs

"You say you have driven a car for 10 years and never had a back seat driver?" inquired the weak-chinned gentleman.

"Yeah," asserted the sad-faced man, "I drive a hearse."

The prosecuting attorney had encountered a somewhat difficult witness. Finally he asked the man if he was acquainted with any of the men on the jury.

"Yes, sir," announced the witness, "more than half of them."

"Are you willing to swear that you know more than half of them," demanded the lawyer.

"Why, if it comes to that, I'm willing to swear that I know more than all of them put together."

A Scotchman wrote to the editor of a magazine saying that if he didn't quit publishing Scotch jokes in it, he would quit borrowing the magazine.

Victory In La Serena

In the first 14 months after its organization with 30 members, the Baptist church of La Serena, Chile, baptized 104 persons—and this without ever having a pastor!

"That is indeed a momentous victory, a notable miracle," says Rev. James H. Bitner, Southern Baptist missionary who makes occasional trips to the church from his headquarters in Valparaiso, more than 200 miles away. "To visit this enthusiastic church is like rolling back the centuries and walking into the midst of the first church of Jerusalem in the months that followed the outpouring of the Holy Spirit."

The church traces its history to 1956 when a woman social worker, an active

Baptist in Santiago, got her family to move to La Serena because of the urgent need for establishing a Baptist witness in the north-central zone of Chile. She took a job with the state penitentiary in La Serena; her husband, a dentist, is director of the national health service in the zone. Their home was the Baptist meeting place for three years.

From 1957 until the organization of the church last year, the La Serena work was a mission of the Baptist church in Valparaiso; and Mr. Bitner and Chilean Baptist leaders have been visiting several times a year for evangelistic services, study courses, and help and encouragement in other matters. Except for this, the work has progressed entirely under lay leadership. Mr. Bitner says nine factors have contributed to the La Serena "victory":

1. A chain of prayer daily at noon and a special prayer service each Friday evening (the best-attended service of the week).
2. Realization that the church is a witnessing fellowship and effort to maintain the family relationship of mutual love and concern.
3. The practice of stewardship in sharing responsibility, giving, and training.
4. The practice of New Testament evangelism in personal work, including family service night on Thursdays when each home becomes the center of evangelistic effort.
5. Stability of leadership and preparation of the leaders.
6. The teaching of the art of worship and of respect for the house of God.
7. The practice of early baptism and



Ester de Piva (center) got her family to move to La Serena, Chile, in 1956 because of the urgent need for establishing Baptist work in the north-central zone of the country. Her husband, Manuel, a dentist, and their two daughters have helped develop the work into a strong church which baptized 104 persons in its first 14 months—without a pastor!

taking the new Christian under the care of the church for further instruction.

8. An emphasis on missions and the urgency of unreached areas. (The church is building a mission on property it recently purchased.)

9. Social implications, as the congregation cuts across social strata (particularly significant in Latin America where social and economic levels are sharply divided, Mr. Bitner says).

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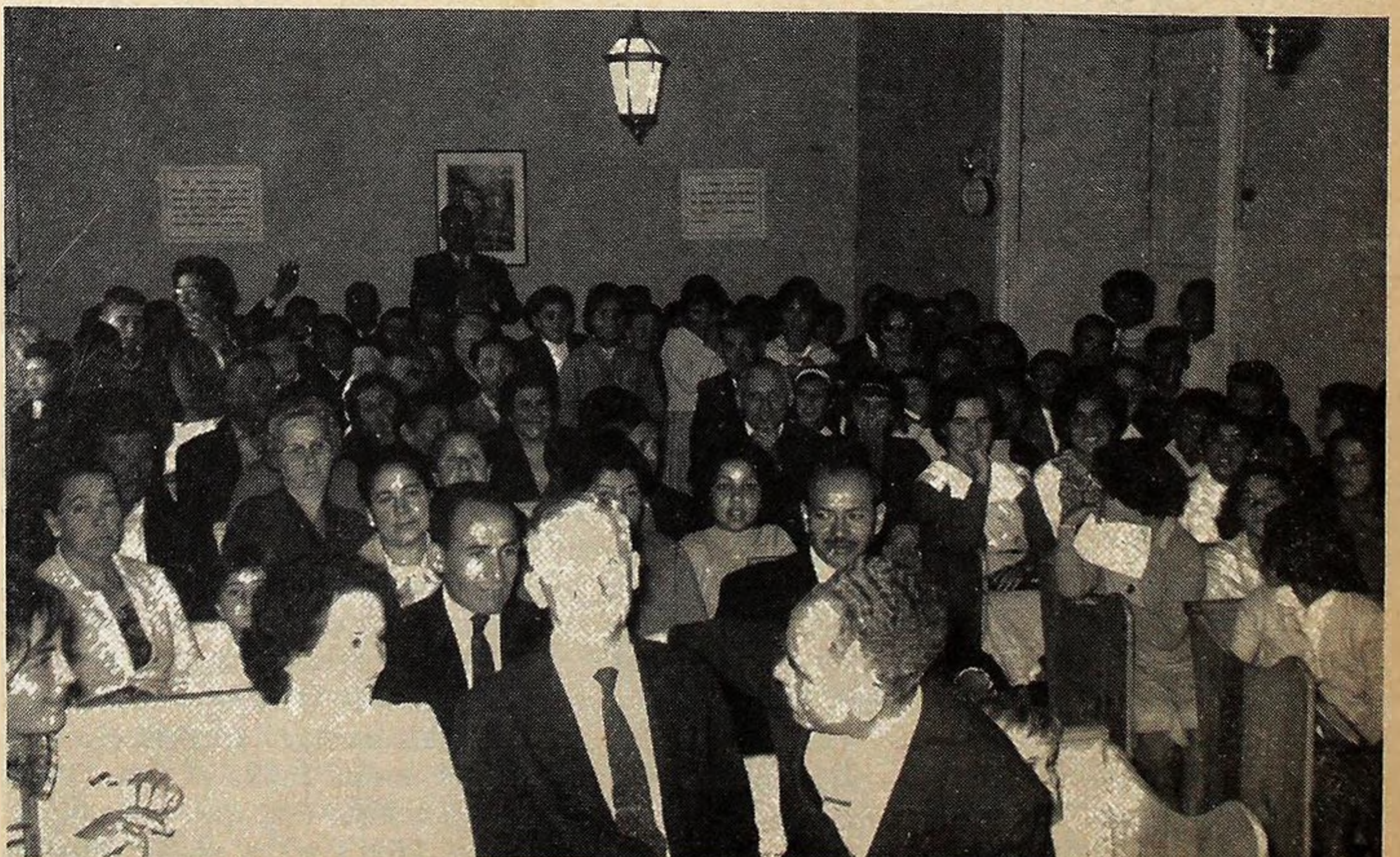
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