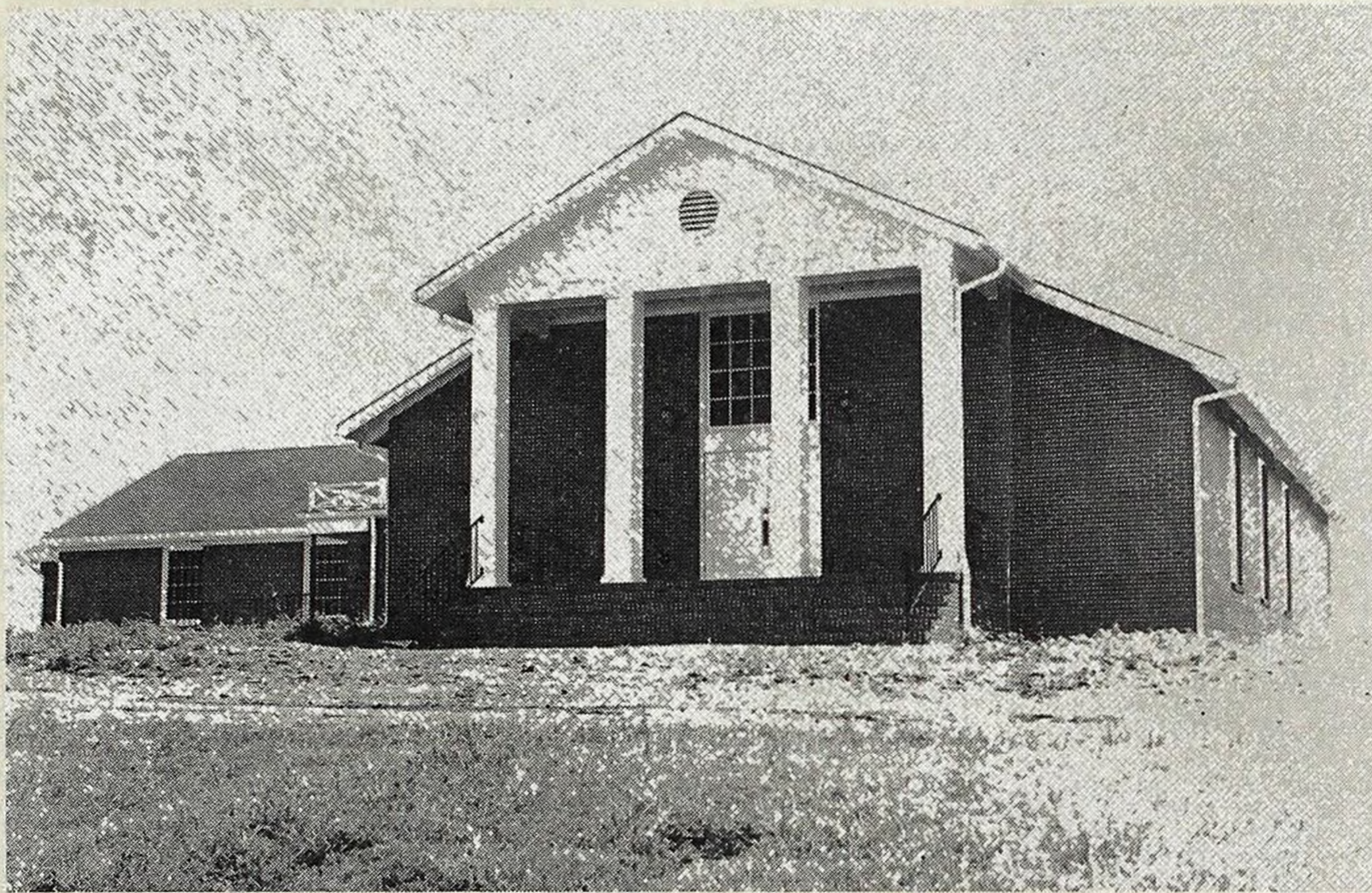


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The Bethlehem Baptist church, located between Springfield and Whitehouse, will be dedicated in special ceremonies Sunday, August 6, at 3:00 p.m. The church, founded in 1838, was destroyed completely by a tornado in April 1970. Construction on the new building began in December 1970 at a cost of \$80,000. The building was completed in May 1971. Speaker for the dedication ceremonies will be Charles Lee, Madison, who served as interim pastor during most of the reconstruction period. Robert E. Carroll is the present pastor.

## 55 Enrol In Belmont's First Nursing Class

Belmont College will launch a new two-year program leading to the associate in nursing degree Aug. 22 with the opening of the fall term. This will bring to six the number of undergraduate degrees now offered by the four-year liberal arts school.

Miss Dorothy Scott, director of nursing at Belmont, announced that an initial class of 55 students will begin the new program. Applications for fall enrolment in the nursing program are filled, but are now being accepted for 1973, she added.

"The aim of this associate degree program is to prepare a technical nurse who is capable of rendering quality nursing care to people," Miss Scott said. "The graduate, while not trained through this educational program to assume administrative duties, is prepared to assume responsibility for his own personal and career growth. Upon satisfactory completion of the curriculum, the graduate is awarded the associate degree in nursing and is eligible to take the licensing examination to become a registered nurse," she concluded.

The following faculty appointments were also announced for the Belmont nursing program by Miss Scott:

Mrs. Margaret S. Wheeler, associate professor, who holds the M.S. degree in nursing from Vanderbilt University School of Nursing; Mrs. Mary Moody, assistant professor, who holds the B.S. degree in nursing from the University of Alabama School of Nursing, Birmingham; Miss Jacqueline Ivie, Assistant professor, who holds the M.S. degree in nursing education, State College of Arkansas, Conway; Mrs. Judith Bennett Bousquet, assistant professor of nursing, who holds the M.S. degree in nursing education, Boston (Mass.) State College.

Miss Scott, program director, came to Belmont in September 1971, having had two years' experience as director of nursing at the Baptist T.B. Hospital, Tanzania, East Africa. At that time she was under appointment of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. She was instructor of medical-surgical nursing at Birmingham (Ala.) Baptist Hospital immediately prior to coming to Belmont.

Miss Scott holds the B.S. and M.S. degrees in nursing from the University of Alabama.

## Billington To Become Memphis BSU Director

John Billington, Baptist Student Union director at the University of Tennessee at Martin from 1963-66, has returned to Tennessee from a position in Virginia to serve as BSU director at the UT Medical Units, Memphis.



Billington

The former Tennessean, who assumed his new post August 1, served most recently as BSU director at Virginia Tech. From 1957-59 he was director of religious activities at Carson-Newman college and served as supply pastor at Colonial Heights church, Kingsport, during 1956-57.

Billington is a graduate of Carson-Newman college and received the Master of Religious Education degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary. He succeeds Coby Byrne in the director's position.

## Deaf Children To 'Hear' JOT On TV With Their Eyes

FORT WORTH—Children in schools for the deaf across the country will soon be able to "hear" Southern Baptists' top television star, JOT, "with their eyes."

JOT, star of the award-winning children's cartoon produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission here, hasn't learned sign language, however. He's too young to spell many words.

But all 17 of the JOT television episodes are being videotaped with written captions for use in teaching religious education programs for the deaf.

Schools in Texas and Tennessee are co-operating in the project. The idea came from Dean Cunningham, administrative assistant for the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin. It was picked up by the Southern Regional Media Center for the Deaf at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

The Southern Regional Media Center is a clearinghouse for schools for the deaf in the United States. It is funded by the Bureau of Education for the Handicapped, United States Office of Education.

Cunningham said he recognized JOT's potential for the deaf when he saw the cartoon on a local television station. He requested permission to videotape JOT with written captions aimed at the silent world of the deaf children. (BP)



Irwin Says Astronauts Were Wrong To Take Stamps To Moon

DALLAS—Astronaut James Irwin, one of three Apollo 15 crewmen reprimanded for carrying unauthorized stamped souvenir envelopes to the moon, said, "We thought we were doing the best thing for our families—but we were wrong."

Irwin said he and Astronauts Al Worden and David Scott decided last fall, in a change of heart, not to accept their share of a reported \$150,000 in proceeds from the sale of the envelopes in West Germany.

The shares, about \$8,000 each, would have gone into a trust fund for the astronauts' eight children, Irwin said in a telephone interview with the Baptist Press. He was reached in Cali, Colombia where he spoke to the Pan American Union of Baptist Men.

The decision to refuse the money, said Irwin, a Southern Baptist layman, came about eight months before the envelope incident was reported internationally in mid-July.

"We acted in haste and under the terrific pressures of the pre and post flight schedule ---but that does not excuse it," said the slender U.S. Air Force Colonel.

"The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) had no choice but to reprimand us," continued the command pilot for the Apollo 15 lunar module.

Irwin, 42, the first of the three astronauts to comment publicly on the incident, said, "A spiritual encounter with God on the moon played a major part in my individual decision to refuse my share."

He said the original decision to set up the arrangement for the trust fund was "a team decision by the Apollo 15 crew and there was no time for us to re-evaluate the decision as a team in the hectic schedule after return to earth."

Irwin had announced in June plans to retire from both the space program and the Air Force on Aug. 1 to organize High Flight, Inc., a non-profit organization for Christian ministries.

"I don't think my mistake will damage my ministry through High Flight," Irwin told Baptist Press. "It portrays me as a human, subject to human frailty."

"I hope it will open up opportunities for me to relate meaningfully to others who also have made human mistakes and need God's love and forgiveness."

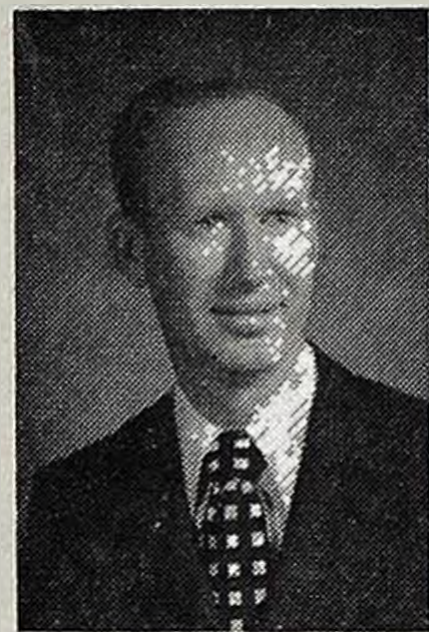
"I hope people will forgive me, as God has forgiven me, for yielding to a temptation which has been spotlighted by national publicity because of my position as an astronaut," he said. (BP)

Devotional

'Compassionate Praying'

By John R. Churchman, Pastor  
Manley Baptist Church, Morristown

Reginald E. O. White in his book, "They Teach Us to Pray", says concerning prayer



Churchman

—"The simple logic of faith underlies it all: God being what He is, it follows that I should pray. Prayer is nothing more than faith becoming articulate, belief finding utterance. I believe that God is merciful—it follows that I come to Him for pardon: I believe that God reveals Himself to those who seek Him—it follows that I seek His

will to guide my steps."

While much could be said discussing the problems of prayer and the principles of prayer, as well as the power of prayer, I find it beneficial in my own life to consider well the concern and compassion involved in prayer. Perhaps there is room for repentance in each and every life concerning our prayerlessness. Is it possible that we do not pray because we do not care—an unmistakable evidence of loss of compassion? The work of a God who loves and cares, cannot be done by a people who do not love and do not care.

I am rebuked when I think of the prayer life of men who were driven to their knees by a deep and abiding compassion for the souls of men.

I think of John Knox as he paced the floor of his room in the city of Edinburgh and in the agony of his heart cried, "God, give me Scotland or I die".

I think of Jonathan Edwards as he walked the pathway behind his cottage and cried—"New England, Lord, New England".

When Robert Murray McCheyne went to Palestine for health reasons, an unknown preacher by the name of Burns took over his pulpit. One day Burns was seen standing on a crowded sidewalk in Glasgow with tears streaming down his cheeks. Later, when questioned about this peculiar behavior, his answer was, "The thud of Christless feet on the road to Hell is breaking my heart".

I think of William Welch, a Scottish preacher, who rose at midnight to pray for his people; and when his wife, hours later found him still on his knees—begged him to come back to bed and get some sleep—he said, tearfully, "Sleep, woman, how can I sleep, with 3000 souls in my parish and I know not how it is with many of them".

It is prayer like that which motivates men and moves them toward the foot of the cross.

Pulpit To Pew

By Jim Griffith

Church music authorities advise that, in the interest of having well-coordinated worship services, the pastor and music director should get together for a music planning session prior to Sunday.

The aim is to avoid a situation similar to the incident which took place when the minister hurried in at the last minute on Sunday morning, rushed over to the organist, opened the bulletin, pointed to a place on the program, and said: "You just doodle-de-do right here . . ."

"All right," said the organist, "I'll be doodling while you're mumbling."

Needless to say, an all-out effort needs to be made to be sure that the music fits in with the preaching and is appropriate to the tone of the service.

For example, if the preacher is greatly-beloved, but extremely long-winded, it might be appropriate enough and yet unwise to announce as the closing hymn: "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go."

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# Supreme Court Split Votes May Show Trends Of Rights

By John W. Baker

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WASHINGTON—When the U. S. Supreme Court ended its 1972 session here, it handed down a number of significant decisions, most of them on a split vote of five to four.

In terms of future decisions by the court, the way the justices were divided on their opinions may be as significant in some cases as the decisions themselves.

The inability of the justices to agree on many of the cases produced late decisions, numerous concurring and dissenting opinions, and a divisive decision to rehear next fall the arguments on the emotion-laden case which seeks to have state abortion laws declared unconstitutional.

To understand the decisions, Baptists must also understand the changes in the makeup of the court.

When he took office, President Nixon was critical of the judicial activism (so-called "loose construction" given to the Constitution) of the Warren Court. During his 1968 campaign, Nixon pledged that as vacancies occurred on the court, he would seek to appoint men who would exercise judicial restraint and who would be "strict constructionists" of the constitution.

Due to resignations and retirements from the court, President Nixon has been able to appoint four new members. With their appointment, the "Nixon Court" gained some of the "balance" he had sought, and moved sharply away from judicial activism.

## Generally Considered "Liberal"

Chief Justice Burger, and Justices Blackmun, Powell and Rehnquist, all Nixon appointees, are less likely to interpret the Constitution broadly and have become known as the "conservative bloc" in the court.

Justices Douglas, Brennan and Marshall, who are holdovers from the pre-Nixon Court, form a bloc which has tended to expand the coverage of the Bill of Rights. They generally are considered "liberal."

With a nine-member court, Justices Stewart and White, who are not clearly aligned with either of the other blocs, become the "swing" members. If one of them votes with the conservatives, he makes a simple majority. If both of them vote with the liberals, they have a bare majority.

The cohesiveness of these blocs is demonstrated by the fact that in 67 cases decided by the court, with all four Nixon appointees participating, the bloc voted together 54 times.

The liberal bloc was similarly cohesive. The three justices voted together on 111 out of 151 cases decided during the term.

Since January, Justice White, appointed by President John F. Kennedy, has tended to vote with the conservatives more often than not; and Justice Stewart, appointed by Dwight D. Eisenhower, has often voted with the liberals.

In the final few weeks of the last court term, these "swing" justices helped to account for eighteen decisions on a five to four vote.

## Important To Baptists

A number of these decisions and the pathway that they indicate the court may take in the future are important to Baptists regardless of an individual's position on the separate issues raised by the cases. Justice White voted with the conservative bloc to produce the following results:

—The powers of the police to stop and search people they consider suspects were broadened.

—Private social clubs were allowed to continue to refuse membership to blacks even though the clubs operated with state licenses.

—States were allowed constitutionally to convict an accused if the state constitution and laws allow conviction by less than a unanimous vote of a jury.

—The immunity of a Congressman and his aides in refusing to testify before a grand jury was declared to exist only in the narrow limits of actions in the process of legislation.

—The First Amendment, freedom of the press, permitting reporters to protect their news sources was limited.

—Civilians could get a court order to stop military surveillance on them only if they can show that the surveillance has actually harmed them in some way.

From these and other decisions, some conclusions may be drawn about the court and the direction it is taking.

The Warren Court was concerned about real or potential abuses of the rights of people by either the national government or the states. Thus they were active in expanding the meaning of the Bill of Rights to insure that rights of people, even the unpopular groups, would be protected from abuses of power.

## Looks At Letter Of Law

The Burger Court has given indications that it generally trusts authorities to use their powers wisely and well. While the court has not specifically reversed any of the major decisions of the Warren years, it

## Ghana Head Of State Stresses 'Church Power'

ACCRA—The head of state and chairman of the National Redemption Council, Colonel I. K. Acheampong, has urged Ghanaian Christians to utilize "church power" in conquering the nation's ills.

In his first public appearance before a church-related group since assuming power on Jan. 13, Col. Acheampong said:

"In my recent speeches to our students and our women I talked of 'Student Power' and 'Women Power' and how this power could be used to Ghana's advantage. Today permit me to talk of the power of the church, or the power of the living word of God."

He addressed the convention of the National Council of Spiritual Churches of Ghana, one of three national Christian associations.

Col. Acheampong encouraged the newer churches, often called "independent spiritual" because they sprang up independent of the established missionary groups, "to aid the old established churches in the job of bringing grace and salvation to dear Ghana." (RNS)

has altered some of them and expanded only one.

Though the present court has exhibited less judicial activism this year, the period since Justices Powell and Rehnquist joined the court has seen some signs of activism.

Justices White and Stewart joined the liberals in a five to four decision which declared that in most instances the death penalty is unconstitutional.

The court also limited wiretapping and expanded the right of a dependent to a lawyer in any case which could lead to a jail sentence. In addition, most vagrancy statutes were declared unconstitutionally vague, and parolees were guaranteed a fair hearing before they could be returned to jail for parole violations.

However, the general course of the Nixon appointees have set for the court seems to be one which looks at the letter of the Constitution and ignores the spirit of the law as it is applied to modern times.

A strict interpretation of the religion clauses of the First Amendment lead to the interpretation that Amish children need not go to school beyond the eighth grade because it interferes with their religious liberty. This may not be as great a victory as some claimed it to be. This decision and the reasoning involved could be used to justify aid to religious education.

We must wait until the newly-oriented court has ruled on several religion cases, but some constitutional scholars are beginning to wonder if the precedents relating to separation of church and state will escape unscathed. (BP)



# EDITORIALS

## Your State Paper

*BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR* is the news-journal of Tennessee Baptists, owned by the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. We continue to believe strongly and without apology that every church needs to place our state paper in the church budget. As the churches approach the season when budgets are being planned, we ask that budget committees consider seriously and act positively in placing the paper in the Every Family Plan for their church in order that each family might be informed more fully each week concerning the ministries of Tennessee and Southern Baptists.

Our Baptist work has grown as people in the churches have been informed. It is a matter of record that churches which have their state paper in the budget, and in the homes of members, give substantially more to all Co-operative Program causes than do churches which do not receive the state paper for every family.

We ask, therefore, that churches give serious considera-

## Religion And Politics

When religion and religious issues become involved as political issues, we doubt seriously that the cause of Christ is advanced—nor the cause of any particular candidate.

It is evident now that issues of prayer in public schools, federal aid to public schools and the issues of school bussing are and will be political issues. While bussing of public school children is not a religious issue as such, it admittedly is one reason for the creation of some schools in church buildings, thereby making it vicariously, an allied issue.

We would simply remind Tennessee Baptists that after the election heat is over, the ministry of the churches for Christs' sake continues. It is our hope that our witness may not be diminished by the heat of political campaigns.

tion to inclusion of our *Baptist And Reflector* for every member in their church budgets.

## Business Center Ceremonies Set For August 3 At Belmont

Cornerstone laying ceremonies for Belmont College's center for business administration are scheduled at 12:00 noon Thursday.

Principals involved in formal completion of the new \$1.2 million dollar structure include Dr. Herbert C. Gabhart, Belmont president; Henry Horrell, chairman of the Belmont board of trustees; and members of the board who will be completing their quarterly business session on the campus.

The new building, located at the corner

of Acklen Ave. and Belmont Blvd. will serve not only the college and its program, but also the business community. It will be available for the scheduling of classes in management, selling, real estate, and other related subjects. Seminars for executive and sales schools will also be scheduled.

Of the 882 students enrolled in Belmont last fall, 211 were majors in some area of business. More students have majored in business administration and related fields than in any other area in recent years. This fall an A.A. in secretarial science will be offered in addition to the B.B.A. degree.

The new four-story center includes 50,000 sq. ft. of floor space, is completely air conditioned and is constructed of handmade brick. Two five-tiered pit classrooms seating 125 persons each are included, along with 12 classrooms which seat 50 each. A computer center, 16 offices, lounge, and snack bar complete the physical facilities in the new structure.

Ground was broken for the new facility December 3, 1970 and the contract signed February 11, 1971 with Boone Construction Co. of Nashville. John A. Preston and Associates was the architectural firm.

Formal dedication of the new business center is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, in Massey Auditorium. The building will be open until 5:00 p.m. for inspection by the public.

## Sunday School

### Leadership Briefing Conferences Scheduled

Eight leadership briefing conferences will be held throughout the state September 1-15 for Sunday School workers, Wendell Price, State Sunday School secretary announced.

Following the "People to People" concept, the briefings will be aimed at involvement of laymen in witnessing, evangelism and enlistment of persons in group Bible study.

Leaders serving in the eight regions of the state will include: Mrs. Sammie Meek, director of pre-school work, Sunday School Department, leading in outreach for day care, kindergarten, and mentally retarded programs; Mrs. George Cox, state consultant in pre-school work, Knoxville, leading in pre-school work; Doyle Oliver, director of children's work, Sunday School Department, leading in children's division; Miss Lyn Brasfield, director of youth work, Sunday School Department, leading in youth division; and Mrs. Wendell Price, state consultant in adult work, Nashville, leading in work with adults.

The dates and locations of the briefings are scheduled as follows: September 1, First church, Cookeville; September 5, First church, Johnson City; September 7, Central church, Bearden; September 8, First church, Cleveland; September 11, First church, Donelson; September 12, First church, Trenton; September 14, Brownsville church, Brownsville; and September 15, First church, Pulaski. All meetings will be held from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.

## Brainerd Baptist School Will Open This Fall

The Brainerd Baptist School, a missionary outreach project of the Brainerd church in Chattanooga, will open this fall with a projected enrolment of 100 students, according to school officials.

Dale Carter, Chattanooga, will serve the school as consultant and acting principal, and Norman Willie, minister of education at the church, will act as liaison between Brainerd church and the school.

A complete school program will be offered in grades one through six. Four full-time teachers, plus part-time teachers in Bible and art, will be employed. Teachers will be required to have either a B.A. or B.S. in education and must be certified by the State Department of Education, a spokesman said.



# Trustee Board Changes Names Of Assemblies, Adopt Budget

**GLORIETA, N.M.**—Trustees of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board meeting here at Glorieta Baptist Assembly voted to change the name of their meeting place to Glorieta Baptist Conference Center.

The board also voted to change the name of the Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly in Ridgecrest, N.C., to Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center. Both name changes are effective immediately.

In other actions, the trustees adopted a record budget, approved expanded services in church architecture, and made several changes in periodicals. The board also adopted a resolution commending the work of Broadman Bible Commentary editor Clifton J. Allen.

Names of the two assemblies were changed to reflect the new year-round nature of the programs at Glorieta and Ridgecrest, and to communicate an emphasis on conference-type programs in addition to the traditional assembly gatherings, board officials said.

"We have a number of leadership and Baptist conference programs already scheduled for the fall and winter sessions," said Bob Boyd, director of the board's Conference Center Division (formerly called the Assembly Division).

"We want to encourage inquiries from groups interested in adding their own meetings to those already scheduled," Boyd told the trustees.

## Sales Budget of \$46,885,000

In adopting the new budget, the board set a sales budget for the year ending Sept. 30, 1973, at \$46,885,000. It is an increase of \$2,659,000 over the current budget.

Net earnings for the new budget are projected at slightly over \$2 million. Net earnings are used for working capital, reserves, and fixed assets. Other income derived from sales is used for assisting churches through education and service programs; cooperative work with state conventions, and other Baptist Convention support.

The board's church architecture department will offer a new interior design consulting service to churches on a cost-recovery basis, with approval of the board. Churches requesting the service will reimburse the board at established rates for the time spent on the project by interior designers and draftsmen, plus travel expenses.

The church architecture department will continue to render service relating to educational design at no cost to the churches, board officials pointed out.

Trustees voted to delete several curriculum periodicals, including "Youth in Search" and "Youth in Search: Teacher", both Sunday School publications.

Other publications deleted by board action include: "Source for Leaders", a church training periodical for adults; and "People", a monthly leisure reading magazine.

All deletions become effective, October, 1973.

## Two New Publications

Trustees voted to add two new publications. "Encounter", a new Sunday School devotional magazine for youth, will begin publication in October, 1972. A new magazine for parents of pre-schoolers, "Living with Pre-Schoolers", with approved for publication beginning October, 1973, by the Sunday School department.

Trustees acknowledged the "significant service" of Clifton J. Allen as general editor of the Broadman Bible Commentary.

Allen was commended for his "painstaking diligence in editing within a (tight) . . . production schedule, his tact and sensitivity in keeping open channels of understanding among writers and editors, and his persistence in holding the project to its purpose."

Trustees further expressed gratitude to Allen for "his unswerving commitment to the Bible as the authoritative guide in faith and practice, always relevant and needing understanding more than defense, and his realistic concern for the need of preachers and other serious students of the Bible which can be met so well through the Broadman Bible Commentary."

Trustees heard from Bookstore Division Director W. O. Thomason of the proposed opening on Aug. 26, of the first Lifeway store

## Youth Music Choir, Band Concerts Are Scheduled



Burton



Landgrave

A 200-voice choir and a 35-piece band from Tennessee's Youth Music Weeks at Camp Carson, are scheduled to present a sacred concert at Manley church, Morristown, on Friday, August 4, at 7:30 p.m. The group will appear also in Concert at First church, Jefferson City, Friday, August 11, at 7:30 p.m.

Featured conductors will be Robert L. Burton, Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, and Phillip Landgrave, Southern Baptist Theological seminary. The camps are sponsored annually by the Music Department of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

to be located in Jackson Mall Shopping Center, Jackson, Miss. The new store, the first of its kind, will sell general and religious material.

Elected president of the trustees was Scott L. Tatum, pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Shreveport, La. Tatum succeeds Conrad R. Willard of Miami.

DeVaughn Woods, Nashville layman and executive vice president of Genesco, Inc., was named chairman of the board's Executive Committee. (BP)

## Woman's View

### A Possible Solution

By Shirley Erwin

I grew up in a home where the kitchen was the favorite gathering spot of all the family. When my two sisters and I came home from school, we usually found our mother putting around in the kitchen. After a quick raid on the refrigerator, we spread our books on the table and did our homework while we related the day's activities to mom. She was always interested.

That old kitchen table has quivered under tumults of laughter, but has also been drenched in tears. We had our serious family discussions there, but we had our lighter moments as well.

There was an equality around that table that didn't seem to be present at other times or places. There, we replayed the Friday night ball game, had a re-run on sis's date last night, found out who visited Mom that day and Dad also told us what was new in the business.

Now that I have a home and children of my own, I have cause to be reminded more and more of those days long ago. Isn't it funny how you can see something of yourself in your children?

have a talk with mom in the kitchen.

Perhaps in these modern times parents should spend more time talking with their small children instead of looking for baby sitters for them. Then, when they are older and temptation knocks on their door, they will stop to think and perhaps even have a talk with mom in the kitchen.

Wouldn't you rather be called aside to the kitchen by your child instead of down to Juvenile Hall by the police?

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Erwin is secretary for the Oak Grove Baptist church, Covington, Tennessee.)



# The Preamble Of The Baptist Faith And Message

By Herschel H. Hobbs

Prior to the Philadelphia Convention a theology professor in one of our seminaries wrote to me saying that "The Baptist Faith and Message" would play an increasingly important role in Southern Baptist life in the future. The fact was borne out in Philadelphia. So at the request of one of our Baptist state paper editors I am writing this article.

In applying "The Baptist Faith and Message" it should be kept in mind that the "preamble" or introduction is as much a part of it as the eighteen items treated in it. As God's love flavors all other of His attributes, so the preamble applies to the eighteen items. To ignore this fact can lead us into many difficulties in interpreting it.

The action of the San Francisco Convention was to form a committee to bring to the Kansas City Convention some statement of faith similar to that of 1925 "which shall serve as information to the churches, and which may serve as guidelines for the various agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention." Thus it was never meant to be a creed, but "information" and "guidelines."

The committee was careful to preserve in toto the preamble to the 1925 Statement. For while it set forth certain facts about previous statements of faith and the right of any Baptist body to draw up such, it clearly guarded the individual conscience in matters of faith. It respected the basic Baptist belief of **soul competency in religion**.

Articles 4 and 5 of this preamble read, "That the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. Confessions are only guides in interpretation, having no authority over the conscience . . . that they are statements of religious convictions, drawn from the Scriptures, and are not to be used to hamper freedom of thought or investigation in other realms of life."

To this the 1963 committee added the following words. "A living faith must experience a growing understanding of truth and must be continually interpreted and related to the needs of each new generation . . . Such statements [previous confessions] have never been regarded as complete, infallible statements of faith, nor as official creeds carrying mandatory authority . . . Baptists emphasize the soul's competency before God, freedom in religion, and the priesthood of the believer. However, this emphasis should not be interpreted to mean that there is an absence of certain definite doctrines that Baptists believe, cherish, and with which they have been and are now closely identified."

Throughout its work the 1963 committee was aware of the fact that whereas Southern Baptists are united in basic beliefs, they differ at points on certain details. Theirs is a **unity in diversity**. So that the commit-

tee was careful to state basic doctrines in such a way that all of our people could accept them. Without toning down the basics it sought to allow for differences concerning details.

For instance, when the committee was studying the ordinances one member proposed a statement on the Lord's Supper which would have been closed-communion of the tightest sort. Another member replied something like this. "That would suit me completely. It would be accepted by the people of my state, for that is exactly what we believe and practice. But we must remember that we are not drawing up a statement of faith and message for California, Texas, Arkansas, Georgia, North Carolina, Ohio, or Virginia Baptists. We are drawing up a statement for all Southern Baptists. And it must be of such nature that all may accept and live with it."

After the committee had finished the first draft of the statement, copies were furnished to every professor in all six seminaries and everyone dealing with theological writings at the Sunday School Board. Each was asked to study it personally. Then as groups at each of the institutions a study was requested by the committee. Each group was asked to present its criticisms of proposed statement. Only minor changes were suggested, mostly in the wording used.

The finished statement was given to the editor of each Baptist state paper for printing and editorials for general reading. To facilitate a comparison with the 1925 statement the two were printed in parallel columns in the Book of Reports. The new proposed statement was read to the Convention. After a minimum of debate on one sentence concerning the "church", it was adopted without changing one punctuation mark. This review has been given to show the care exercised by the committee and the result.

Since 1963 the Southern Baptist Convention has voted twice to reaffirm its acceptance of "The Baptist Faith and Message" (New Orleans and Denver). It has voted down proposals made from the floor to change certain wordings. Yet in New Orleans it voted down a proposal requiring all employees and writers for the Sunday School Board to subscribe to this statement.

Many Baptist groups (certain Southern Baptist agencies, state conventions, associations, and local churches) have adopted "The Baptist Faith and Message" as their statement of faith. But in each case it has been done voluntarily, with no coercion whatever from the Southern Baptist Convention. In so acting the Convention has recognized the vital place of the preamble to the statement.

Soul competency in religion is the fountain from which flows all other Baptist be-

## Copeland Calls For 1980 World Missions Conference

WAKE FOREST, N.C.—E. Luther Copeland, professor of missions at Southeastern Baptist Theological seminary here and newly elected president of the Association of Professors of Missions, has issued a call for a World Missions Conference to be held in 1980.

He proposed no meeting site, but suggested that the 1980 conference be in line with a famed Edinburgh Conference in 1910, and the World Congresses of the International Missionary Council.

Copeland spoke on the Christian mission in the last decades of the 20th century during a recent meeting of the Association of Professors of Missions when he was elected president of the organization.

A former missionary to Japan, Copeland suggested that major structures of mission will arise in the future which take seriously the "six continent" concept. He also predicted that the center of the resources for the Christian mission will shift from the Western World to somewhere in the Third World.

He proposed that the 1980 World Mission Conference be broadly representative of Christian missionary agencies. One purpose of such a conference, he said, would be to determine new structures of mission to the six continents.

Membership in the association which Copeland will lead as president for the next biennium includes professors of missions from the major theological schools in the United States and Canada. (BP)

### Austin Peay BSU Head To Do Ohio Mission Work

Lou McNabb, Baptist Student Union director at Austin Peay State university for the past two years, plans to leave Clarksville this month to do Baptist pioneer work in Ohio.

McNabb plans to move to a northern section of Columbus and, eventually, establish a Baptist church there. A group of young people from First church, Clarksville, will accompany McNabb to Ohio to assist in a religious survey and to promote a Vacation Bible School.

The BSU director has served in positions in the Cumberland Association.

liefs. Soul competency is the heart of the preamble which is the heart of "The Baptist Faith and Message." Had the statement been presented without the preamble in all likelihood the Southern Baptist Convention would not have adopted it. So long as the preamble remains, the statement is what it is intended to be—**information** for the churches and **guidelines** for the agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention.

But if the preamble be removed or ignored, then "The Baptist Faith and Message" becomes a creed. And Southern Baptists are not a creedal people.



## Message From SBC President

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July 14, 1972

My fellow deacons:

Since the office of the deacon is established by scripture and ordained by God, it is more to be honored than any man-made position. May I commend you for being a deacon.

The responsibilities and opportunities of being a deacon embrace many areas but I am writing only in connection with your work in the area of church finance.

Most Southern Baptist churches will soon be making their financial plans and church budgets for next year. May I presume to make four suggestions as you and your church begin this task:

**First.** Be sure your pastor and church staff are fairly compensated. Many churches have low salaries and often increases have not kept up with inflation. Inquire about your pastor's salary and your church salary scale. Find out what others of equal responsibility and training are being paid. See that your pastor and church staff are properly compensated.

**Second.** See that your pastor and church staff are in a retirement program. According to information recently released, one-half of all Southern Baptist pastors are not in the retirement plan of the Annuity Board. Perhaps some are covered by other plans—be sure your pastor is covered by a retirement plan, including death and disability benefits, in addition to social security.

**Third.** Increase your mission giving through the Cooperative Program. The average SBC church gives only 9% to missions through the Cooperative Program. Eighty per cent of all churches give less than 10% through the Cooperative Program. The needs for foreign, home and state missions are greater than ever before. Last year all the requests for our nation-wide and world-wide causes could have been met if only 35¢ more per capita mission money had been available. A little more from each church, or 35¢ from each Southern Baptist, would have made possible granting all requests in full. Why not be a part of a "two in one movement"—two deacons in one church—one deacon to make a motion, the other to second a motion that the Cooperative Program mission allocation or percentage be increased in the budget.

Last year the Home Mission Board had

123 trained and dedicated volunteers who could not be "sent" because there were no funds. It takes 5,000 Southern Baptists to support one home missionary. Last year the increase to the Foreign Mission Board nearly equalled the devaluation of the dollar and one-half of all requests from the 75 countries where our missionaries serve were unmet because of lack of funds. It takes 4,500 Southern Baptists to support one foreign missionary.

**Fourth.** Give the special foreign, home and state mission offerings a strong church-wide emphasis. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering provides funds for one-half of all our foreign missionaries. The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering provides funds for one-half of all our home missionaries. The various state mission programs are strengthened by funds through the special state mission offering.

The men of the church, led by the deacons, should join hands with the fine work already being done by the Woman's Missionary Union in making the offerings a meaningful expression of missionary support from the entire church.

Being a deacon is not a title of honor; it is a badge of servanthood. No greater service can be rendered a church than to lead it into a full commitment to missions which is simply a fulfillment of the Great Commission.

Sincerely,  
Owen Cooper, Deacon  
First Baptist Church  
Yazoo City, Mississippi

## Moral Scene

● The world's population will double in 28 years if its annual 2% rate of increase is maintained, the latest UN Statistical Yearbook said. It put the world's 1970 population at about 3.6 billion. The book also said that during the 1960's the world's population rose 22%. The total output of goods and services, however, more than kept pace. It rose 70% in the period. World exports last year rose 10% to \$344 billion, the book showed. And it said the citizens of Ireland consumed the most calories each day, 3450 per person. (Wall Street Journal, 7/10/72)

● Heartbeat and breathing are the traditional signs of life, and their cessation, the traditional legal and clinical indication of death. But both are controlled ultimately by the brain. Is a patient still alive when consciousness and brain control are permanently gone and the flow of blood and breath persists only by grace of machine? Is a medical decision to "pull the plug," to turn off machines, simply a recognition that life is over—or a form of murder?

On May 26 a jury in Richmond, Va., decided, in effect, that such a severely brain-damaged person is legally dead. Though many doctors have long considered the traditional definition of death inadequate in this day of heart-lung machines and other artificial devices, experts believe this was the first instance of a court's acceptance of the concept of brain death. The decision is considered a landmark and has far-reaching implications. (New York Times, 6/4/72)

## Tennesseans At Glorieta—



Among thirty Tennessee Acteens and leaders who crossed the continent for the First National Acteens Conference at Glorieta were (left to right) Mrs. Emerson Knott, First Church, Donelson; Kerma Bowling, also of Donelson; Mrs. Charles Green, Dickerson Road Church, Nashville; and Mrs. Gloria Patterson, Belmont Heights Church, Nashville. These were among almost one thousand who registered for the Acteens conference, while almost two thousand others signed up for the WMU Conference.



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# Tennessee News Briefs

**C. LeRoy Norton, Jr.**, assistant vice president of First American National Bank, has received a graduate certificate from the Stonier School of Banking at Rutgers university, New Brunswick, N.J. He is the son of **Charles Norton**, secretary, Church Training Department, Tennessee Baptist Convention.

**Steve Allmon** has been ordained to the gospel ministry by First church, Philadelphia. The charge to the church was given by **Bernard Courtney**, pastor of the Christianburg church, and the charge to the candidate was delivered by Pastor **Fred Davis**, Armonia church in Maryville. **O. C. Rainwater**, pastor of Calvary church, Lenoir City, gave the message. **Dillard Hagan** is pastor.

**Claude Pendergrass** was ordained recently to the gospel ministry at his home church in Graysville. Following his ordination, he was called as pastor of the Waldens Ridge church, Tennessee Valley Association.

First church, Franklin, has presented its pastor, **Virgil Peters**, with a trip to the Middle East in recognition of his third anniversary with the church. **Peters** left Nashville July 31.

**Harry Hampsher**, minister of music at the Brainerd church, Chattanooga, begins his eighth year of service to the church this Sunday. **J. Ralph McIntyre** is pastor.

## McCoy Called As Pastor Of Dickson First Baptist

The First Baptist church of Dickson has called Dr. Don B. McCoy as pastor. He will assume this responsibility on August 6. McCoy has been with the Foreign Mission Board for 12½ years in Brazil and the Philippine Islands. He was pastor of Tusculum Hills Baptist church from 1958 until 1965.



McCoy

While on furlough this year McCoy has been teaching at the American Baptist Seminary and has been doing deputation work for the Foreign Mission Board. In the Philippines he was Academic Dean of the Philippine Baptist Theological seminary, Baguio.

McCoy is a native of Tennessee, born in Dresden. He has a Specialist in Education from Peabody and a Doctorate of Theology from Golden Gate Baptist Theological seminary. He is married to the former Sterline White who is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist university and Golden Gate seminary. They have four sons, Dave, 18 years, James, 15 years, Mark, 13 years, and Tom, 9 years of age.

The Tennessee Valley Association has voted to participate in the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade in 1974, according to **Ben Walker**, superintendent of missions. The association is preparing for contact through the "People Search," to be held in April 1973.

**The Choralaires**, a 37-voice youth choir from Central church, Woodmore in Chattanooga, will present four sacred concerts in Alabama and Tennessee this week-end. The group will appear at the Lakewood church, Huntsville, Ala., the Crestway church and First church of Birmingham, and the Northport church, Northport.

A home concert will be given at Central Baptist church on Sunday, August 6. The group is directed by the church's minister of music, **Norman T. Chase**.

In the Dyer Association, First church, Newbern, has completed a constitution and by-laws for the church. **Max Walker** is pastor. In the same association, the Mt. Vernon church ordained **Chesley Meadows** and **Hal McBride** as deacons recently. **Charles McCall** is the pastor.

## LEADERSHIP CHANGES

**W. Eugene Spears Jr.**, pastor of First church, Chattanooga, since 1969, has resigned his position, effective August 15, to return to South Carolina where he will serve as pastor of the Beaufort Baptist church.



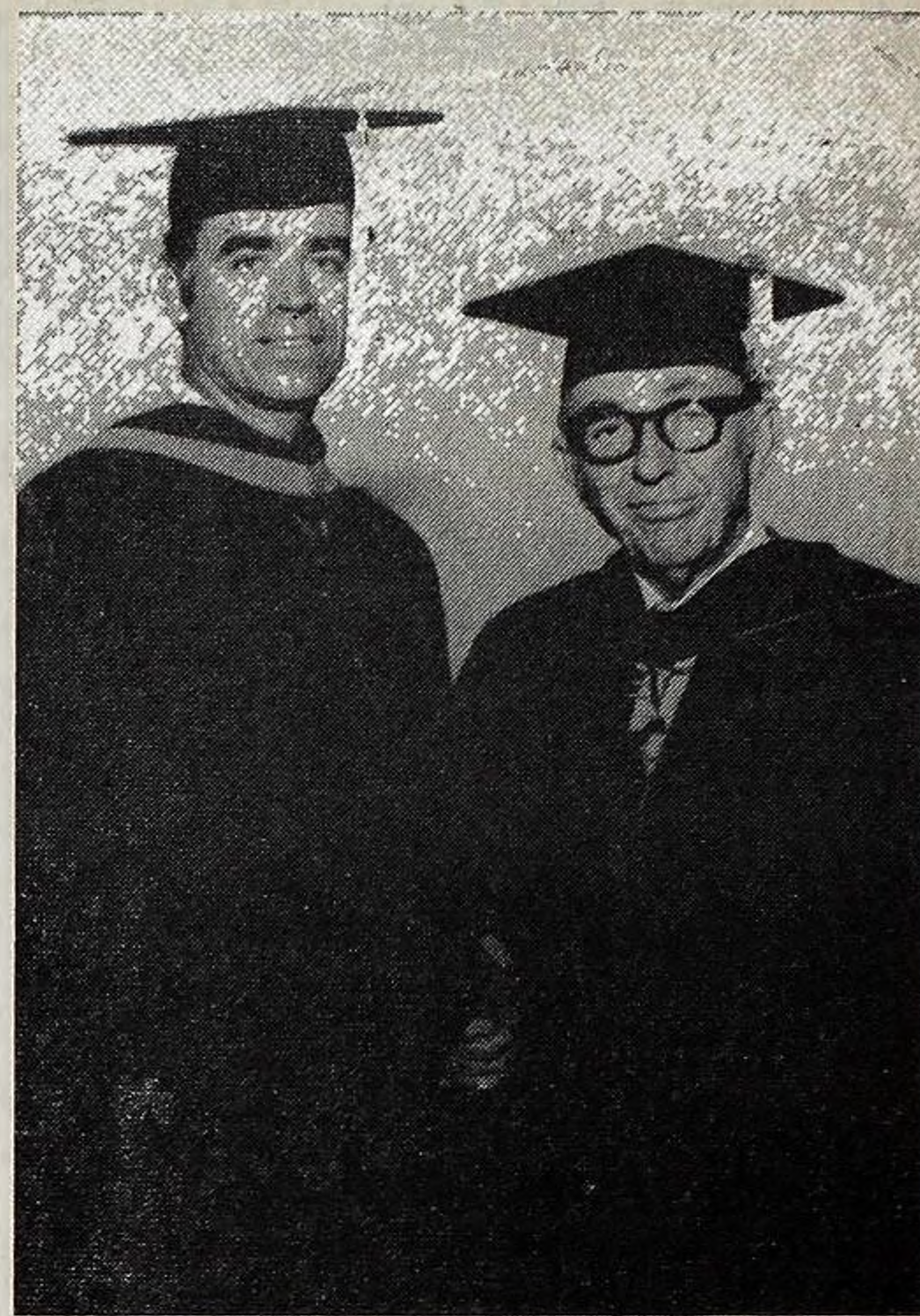
Spears

A native South Carolinian, **Spears** is a graduate of the University of South Carolina; Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville; and earned a Ph.D. degree in theology from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

He was pastor of First church, Mooresville, N.C., Emerywood church, High Point, N.C., and First church, North Augusta, S.C., before coming to Chattanooga in 1969. In 1971 he was preacher at the Hamilton County Baptist Association.

**Harold Harris**, moderator of the Tennessee Valley Association for the past two years, and pastor of the Smyrna church, Evensville, has resigned. He plans to attend Southeastern Baptist Theological seminary this fall.

**David Werner** has accepted the call as minister of music from the Park Avenue church, Nashville. **Werner**, already on the field, comes from the position of minister of music at First church, Booneville, Ind. For eight years he served as minister of music at the Northwest Baptist church in Miami, Fla. **Bob Mowrey** is pastor of Park Avenue.



**Eugene Baker**, left, is shown being congratulated by Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary president, **Robert E. Naylor**, upon receiving the Doctor of Education degree there recently. **Baker** is the director of public relations at Union university.

**George W. Gilbert**, pastor of the Central church, Alcoa, has resigned his position to become pastor of the Hollywood Hills church in Knoxville. He has served the Central church for approximately four years during which time the church budget has increased from \$20,000 to over \$32,500. The effective resignation date has not been announced.

The Pleasant Heights church, Maury Association, has called **Verne Powers** as their interim pastor.

Ridgedale church, Chattanooga, has called **Darrell P. McCauley** as minister of music. **McCauley** has been serving on the staff of the Alpine church, also in Chattanooga. **Ray F. Cleek** is associate pastor of the Ridgedale church.

**Russell Oldham**, minister of education at Broadway Baptist church, Fort Worth, Tex., has been called as minister of education and administration at the First church of Clarks-ville, effective August 15. **Oldham** has served at First church, Fayetteville, Ark., and Immanuel church, Little Rock, Ark., also. He is a graduate of Murray State university and Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, and has done additional graduate work at the University of Arkansas. The pastor of First church is **John Laida**.

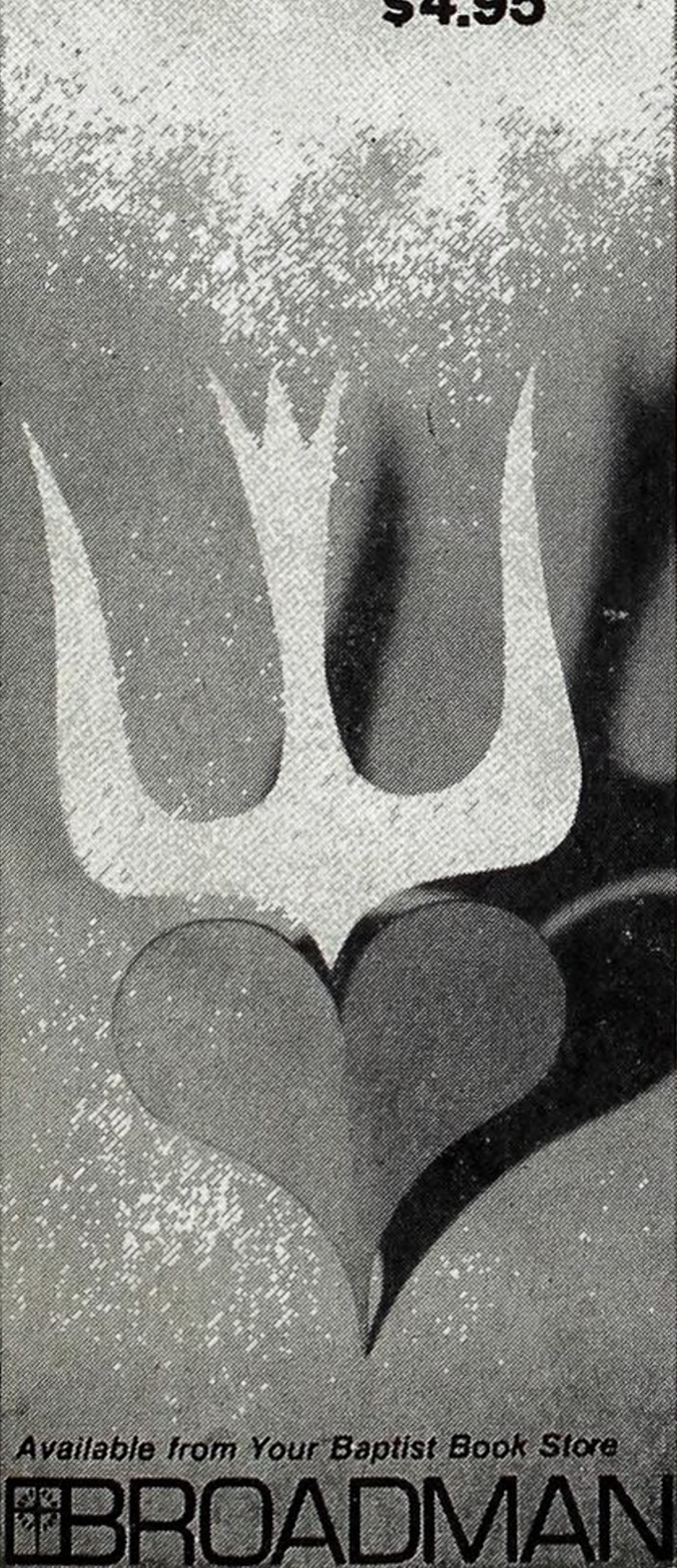
Central church, Johnson City, has issued a call to **David Hampton**, Louisville, to become minister of music. He will move to Johnson City some time this week. **James Canaday** is pastor.



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## Policeman And Pastor

**PIKESVILLE, Md.**—Jack Corum is Lt. Corum of the Maryland State Police during the week and Pastor Corum on Sundays and during his other free time at Westminster Bible church here.

With the state police force headquarters here since 1951, he has served for two-and-a-half years as the congregation's interim minister. Recently, it installed him as its pastor.

"They are shocked that a policeman can be zealous for the Lord," Corum said of his parishioners. "My first thoughts are of a policeman," he said of his dual role, but "the Lord's work is first above everything."

He recalled his years as a state trooper in a recent interview. "I saw just about everything then," he said, referring to his "pre-minister" days, "and I think those days helped me as a preacher. It taught me to understand the common man. (RNS)

## Clower "Country Crossroads" Feature

Entertainer Jerry Clower, Yazoo City, Miss., will serve as substitute host during August for the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission produced "Country Crossroads" show.

In addition to his co-host duties on the 30-minute radio program, Clower will be the featured personality in the Scrapbook Corner segment of the program. The show is heard on 399 radio stations nationwide.

## Pastor Gets Warning While Members Build Parsonage

**TOW, Tex.**—When members of the Tow Baptist Church here can keep their pastor from wearing out the lumber, they do a pretty fair job of building him a parsonage.

When O. A. Taylor, 54, of Houston, became pastor of the church, the members, most of them retired people living in the small resort community on Buchanan Lake 80 miles north of Austin, Tex., decided to build a new parsonage for him themselves.

Calling on retired plumbers, electricians and carpenters from the church membership, they erected for \$16,000 a home valued at \$34,000.

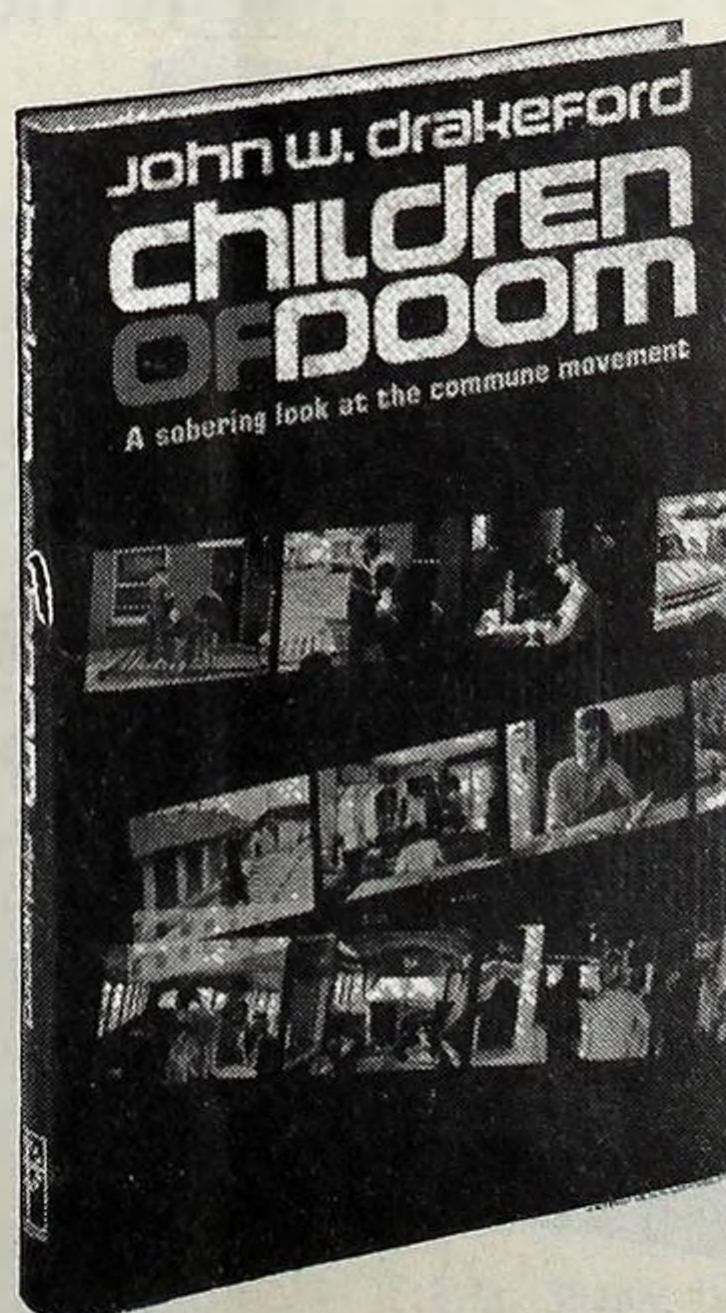
While he and his flock were installing four-foot-wide board decking on the roof, Taylor inadvertently stepped on an unsecured piece.

It scooted down the roof, ski-fashion, carrying its unwilling passenger with it. Airborne, it dropped to the top of a pickup truck parked by the house, took one bounce, and plopped to the ground, with Taylor still aboard.

Unhurt, Taylor breathed a sigh of relief and stepped off the plywood sheet, expecting a chorus of sympathetic "ooh's" and "aah's." But he didn't reckon with one elderly workman.

"We could get this job done a lot quicker if you'd quit wearing out the lumber, pastor," the worker observed dryly. (BP)

# What Goes on in Communes?



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## A VISION OF COMMAND

By T. B. Maston

Professor of Christian Ethics, Retired  
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do (Acts 9:6, KJV).

There are recorded in the Bible unusual visions of God: Moses, Elijah, Samuel, Isaiah, Saul or Paul, and Peter. An examination of these visions will reveal that they always included a word of command. God did not give a vision simply that one might have a vision. The latter was preparatory. In other words, there was a purpose in the vision that reached beyond the vision itself. There was a task to be done for the Lord and for mankind.

This was true of Paul's experience on the Damascus Road. The Lord told him to go into Damascus and there it would be revealed to him what he was to do. There was something for him to do about the vision.

We are not Elijahs, Isaiahhs, Peters, or Pauls but somewhere along the way we have "met the Master face to face." He came into our lives to live. He is in us and we are in him.

There was a purpose at work in that initial experience of ours that went beyond the experience itself. There was something for

## McDonald Named Staff Consultant For NCCJ

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Erwin L. McDonald, retired editor of the "Arkansas Baptist News" magazine who is now religion editor of the "Arkansas Democrat," has been named a staff consultant for the National Conference of Christians and Jews, Inc.

In announcing his appointment, NCCJ Regional Director William L. Pharr said that "McDonald has long been recognized for his leadership in civic and religious affairs in the state, and we are happy to have him join our staff in a volunteer, part-time connection."

McDonald will travel throughout the state in furtherance of the organization's programs, Pharr said. (BP)

us to do about our experience with the Lord. When God saved me as a sixteen-year-old lad, I believe he knew then what he wanted me to do with my life for him and for my fellowman.

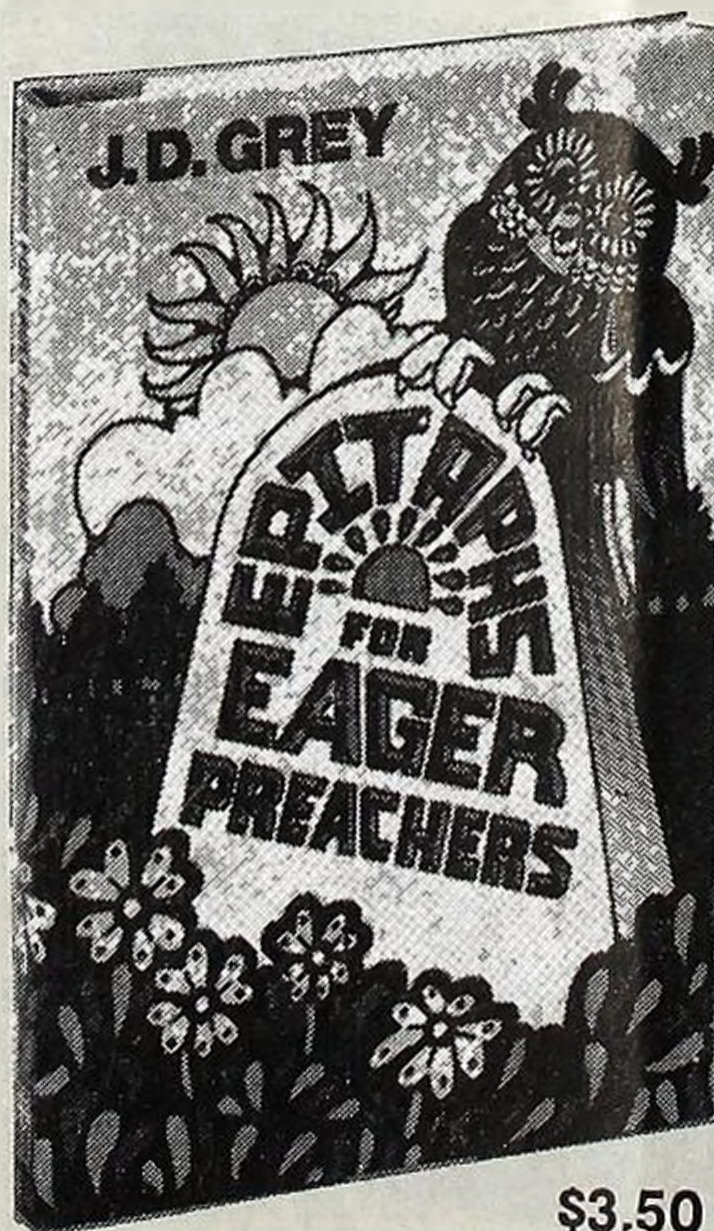
It is true, of course, that we are saved from hell and for heaven. However, the more we mature in the Christian life the clearer we understand that the major purpose of that experience was to start us on the way to fulfilling the purposes of God in our lives. We are to do something not only about the initial Christian experience but also about every subsequent vision of our experience we have with the Lord.

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## Four-Star General Presents Christian Soldier's View

WASHINGTON, D.C.—“I reject out of hand any view that we in the military are war mongers,” insisted a four-star general who says he has been “baptized in the Holy Spirit.”

Gen. Ralph E. Haines, Jr., who, as commanding general of the Continental Army Command, leads the largest army command in the West, went on to make what he called a “simplistic” comparison. “We are no more war mongers than firemen are arsonists or firebugs.

The U.S. military fights wars only when directed to do so by duly elected and constituted civilian authority,” said the general, addressing a breakfast meeting of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International here.

The 58-year-old career officer (41 years' service) said he finds “no inconsistency between my responsibilities as a soldier and my convictions as a Christian. I feel I can serve my God and my country at the same time—in fact, that service in these fields is complementary and mutually reinforcing.

“Over the ages,” he continued, “God has been the soldier's constant companion. Like other Christians, we servicemen and women find no problem in combining our faith and our profession and, in so doing, prove our faith and improve our professions.”

After delineating what he called three “challenges” to Christians today, Gen. Haines told of a weekly prayer breakfast and Bible study at Fort Monroe, Va., where he is stationed, which meets at 6 a.m. each Friday. (“That hour really tests one's religious convictions,” he said.)

The prayer and study group is composed of 10 generals, eight colonels, and three Department of the Army civilians, all immediate members of his staff.

“If we are to be positive witnesses to our faith,” he said, “two things are necessary. First, we must be convinced ourselves about the reality of sin, the necessity of repentance, and the indispensability of Jesus Christ as Divine Savior and Lord.” “Unconvinced souls will never convince others,” Gen. Haines added.

“Those of us who have been baptized in the Holy Spirit are beneficiaries of an infinitely valuable gift,” he added, explaining that he received the “baptism in the Holy Spirit” last July at a “full Gospel” meeting at Buffalo, N.Y.

“Today, I'm on fire for the Lord! And I'm witnessing up a storm,” he said. (RNS)

## Words Shaped Cunningly

The following is an editorial taken from the July, 1972, issue of “The Scottish Baptist Magazine”:

“J. B. Phillips has said that ‘if . . . words are to enter men's hearts and bear fruit, they must be the right words shaped cunningly to pass men's defenses and explode silently and effectually within their minds.’

“With the above observation in mind we list, without comment, a number of quotations from the interim report of the multi-lateral conversations which have recently taken place between a number of denominations in Scotland.

“‘There is nothing other to be said: but the same has to be otherwise said.’

“‘In every age and in every situation the gospel has to be indigenized.’

“‘Jesus by dying pays the penalty exigible from sinners.’

“‘God does not manifest homogeneity or static hierarchy.’

“‘Each is both actum and agendum; indicative and imperative.’

“‘Given the chance, the church will readily consume all the presbyteral man-hours it can get, and is unlikely to spawn unattached practitioners of the Presbyterate.’

“‘The deacon is a problematic feature.’

“‘We wish to state our conviction that the continuing relevance of the local church is more than residual in Scotland.’

“‘We suspect the explosion will be less than silent and effectual!’”

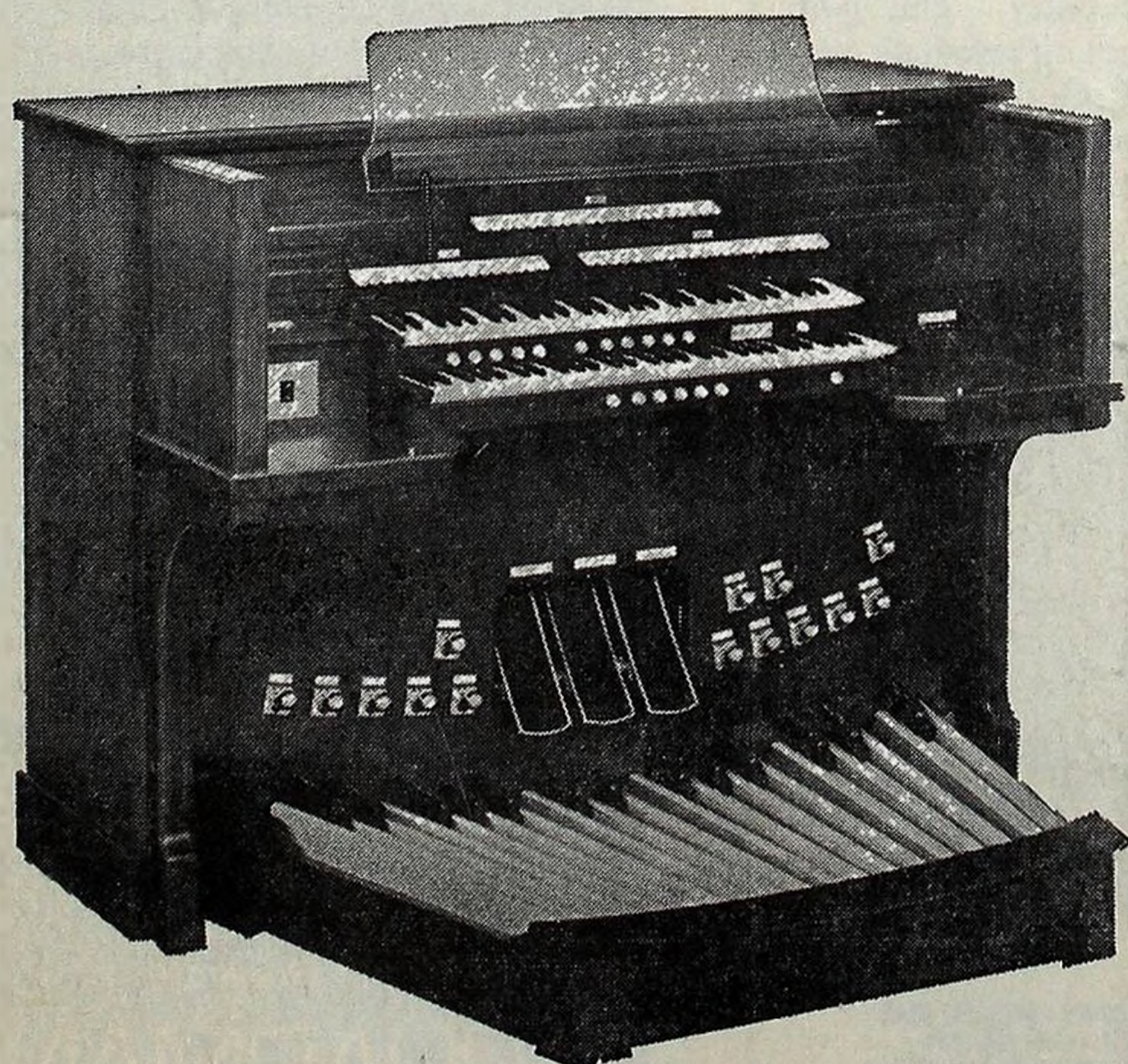
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# Worshipping In The Congregation

By William Dodson, Pastor  
First Baptist Church, Martin

**Focal Passages: Psalm 122 and Hebrews 10:23-25**

**PURPOSE OF THE LESSON:** To point out that there can be Christian fellowship through worship.



Dodson

Of all things that men do together the most important is worship. Religion can be solitary. However, the highest type of worship is worship with others. One of the most profitable forms of worship is the study of the Bible together.

Two qualities of Christian life and experience largely absent in the church today are the ob-

vious presence and power of the Holy Spirit, and the joy of worship in God. For the lack of the first we seem to have substituted clever techniques of psychology and salesmanship; for the second, frantic activity and multiplicity of unfruitful meetings.

The faithful practice of worshipping with the congregation will enlarge the believer's mental horizon, deepen his spiritual life, and enrich his communion with other Christians. Fellowship within the congregation can be a sweet bond to Christians and an invaluable strength to them.

The proper outcome of true worship is the desire to express our devotedness to God in the giving of ourselves and all that we have to Him. We must be occupied with the Lord alone; then, as we in love to Him desire to please and to serve Him, He will call us, send us, and use us to His praise.

## Fellowship Through Worship (Psalm 122:1-9)

Psalm 122 is a song of David. The joy of worship is pictured here. It is one of the songs sung by the Jews as they made their pilgrimage up to Jerusalem for the great festivals.

Verses 1 and 2 describe the gladness of David's heart as he worshipped the Lord. David's heart was in an attitude of worship of God, and he was delighted in the invitation of others to go into the house of the Lord to worship. "As a city that is compact together" in verse 3 describes the narrow streets within the walls of Jerusalem.

"For an ordinance for Israel" of verse 4 points out that the twelve tribes made the

journey to Jerusalem to give thanks to Jehovah because He had commanded them to do so. The purpose of their journey to Jerusalem was not only the outward observance of a religious custom but also to give thanks and praise to Jehovah.

"Thrones for judgment" indicate that Jerusalem had become the religious capital of the nation as well as the civil capital. In Deut. 17:8-9 the law points out that the supreme tribunal should be located in the same place as the sanctuary. To the Jewish mind the religious and political importance of Jerusalem were identical.

## Prayer In Worship (Psalm 122:6-9)

Prayer is a definite part of the worship described here. The prayer is for peace. Hope moves in the hearts of God's people. It is prayer for peace from all distracting causes whatever the nature. Prayer is communion with God. No worship would be complete without communion with God. Verse 8 points out that we meet our friends in Christ in God's house. This human fellowship adds to the blessedness of the place of worship.

## The Fellowship Of Believers (Heb. 10:23-25)

Hebrews is a Book of profound power. It presents the supremacy of Christ as the Mediator of the new revelation of God. Christ is the High Priest of the New Covenant which all believers enter. The New Covenant provides a direct, immediate way straight to the heart of God. Under the Old Covenant only priests could enter the sanctuary and only into the outer room, the Holy Place. Only the high priest could enter into the Most Holy Place, the inner room, once a year. However, Christ, our High Priest, has provided a new and living way into the Most Holy Place where God dwells. Church buildings have become houses of worship for prayer, Bible study, preaching, and fellowship. When we realize this, worship in the congregation takes on a new meaning.

In verse 23 the writer of Hebrews encourages the believer to be constant in the Christian hope. "For He is faithful that promised" (verse 23) means that Christ never fails and that He sustains and keeps.

Verse 24 suggests that the observing of another's faithfulness can stimulate one to love and to be helpful. This is a strong advantage of fellowship and worship with the congregation. Moreover, worship and fellowship with others can strengthen us as we are confronted with temptations and weaknesses. One of the blessings of church attendance and worship to the believer is mutual encouragement.

"Not forsaking our own assembling together, as the custom of some is, but exhorting one another" (verse 25) commends and commands worship together in the congregation.



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# RELIGION AROUND THE WORLD

An increase of 3.3 per cent in Scripture distribution in Yugoslavia in 1971 has been reported. Indications are that the 1972 figure may double that of 1970. Distributed through the Bible Shop in Belgrade, all Scriptures in the many languages of Yugoslavia are now printed in that country.

Seventeen Baptist churches are said to be among a number receiving title to church property in territories once German, but now Polish. Under the new law, the Polish state transferred "ownership of real estate in Poland's western and northern lands to legal persons of the Roman Catholic Church and of other churches and denominations." The law involves 4700 churches, mostly Catholic. A Bonn-Warsaw treaty, ratified last May by the West German Parliament, recognizes officially the former German land as Polish.

By a vote of 37 to zero, the Council of States (upper house) of the Swiss Parliament has approved a government sponsored bill to lift a 124-year-old ban on the Jesuit order in Switzerland. The agreement, which will abolish two articles of the constitution of 1848 interdicting the Society of Jesus and banning the founding of new Roman Catholic convents and monasteries, will be submitted to popular vote this September. Approximately 120 Jesuits live in Switzerland, mainly counseling in theological seminaries and conducting religious retreats.

In a move that could have far-reaching repercussions, the Synod of the Diocese of London—the most populous of the Church of England's 43 dioceses—has voted for disestablishment of the Church. It is reported that if other dioceses take the same action, it could mean a complete break between church and state in England.

Russell C. Parrish, Greenville, Ala., has been named first vice president of the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission's board of trustees. The board is composed of laymen and pastors who recommend new budgets, approve programs, and conduct the business of the agency.

A project of "Reconciliation through the Arts," known as RECONART, has been announced as a project of the Cultural Affairs Ministry of the Near East Baptist Mission headquartered in Beirut, Lebanon. Accord to Southern Baptist missionary J. Conrad Willmon, director of the project, the primary objectives are to present Christ and Christian ethical and moral teachings; to foster reconciliation and peace among the peoples of the Arab Middle East and mutual understanding between the East and West; and to help persons discover and develop their artistic talent in order to share their gifts with others.

Welsh Baptists, in their recent annual meeting at Aberystwyth, debated their co-operation in a multi-denominational drive in evangelism called "Wales for Christ," with the result that they reaffirmed their Christian and Baptist principles, but left open the door for cooperation with anyone who professes Jesus Christ as Lord.

Delegates discussed the fear that union with Europe in the Common Market would result in an effort to replace the Welsh language with European languages. They voted to ask the government for assurance that the French language would not displace Welsh in the schools of the country. The establishment of an independent broadcasting corporation for Wales was urged, along with a fourth television channel broadcast in the Welsh language.

Barrie Doyle, former religion editor of the "Kitchener-Waterloo Record" in Kitchener, Ont., has been named assistant news editor of **Christianity Today** magazine in Washington, D.C. A native of Great Britain, Doyle has an Anglican background and attended Peoples Church, an independent evangelical church in Toronto.

Over 230 decisions for Christ were reported at an eight-night evangelistic crusade held in Porto Velho, Brazil, recently. Led by missionary R. Perry Ellis and a team from Brazil's Department of Mass Evangelism, the meetings drew 10,000 persons.

NEW YORK—Samuel D. Proctor, educator and clergyman, has been named successor to the late Adam Clayton Powell Jr., as pastor of Harlem's Abyssinian Baptist church. In a special election held at the church, Proctor received 518 of 863 votes cast. Redgely Jones, retiring chairman of the church's board of deacons, said that more than 100 persons had been considered for the post.


In the North American Christian Convention annual meeting in Cincinnati recently, delegates elected Wilford L. Lown as president. Lown, president of Manhattan Christian College, (Kansas), will preside over the 1973 convention in Indianapolis. The NACC reportedly carries on a "loosely knit affiliation" with Christian Churches and Churches of Christ. It is not a policy-making body, and is supported by convention registration fees. More than 6000 persons met for the convention.

HOUSTON—Britt E. Towery Jr., a Southern Baptist missionary, has been named director of religious activities and lecturer in world religions and Christianity at Houston Baptist college. His overseas ministry included evangelism and church development in Taiwan and teaching and directing the Baptist Communications Center in Hong Kong. He has been serving as visiting professor while on missionary furlough.

Father Michael Jacobs, believed to be the only Mohawk Indian priest in the world, will celebrate his 50th year in the Order of the Society of Jesus this month in St. Regis, Quebec. Because he speaks Mohawk, English, and French, Father Jacobs served as pastor of St. Regis Mission in St. Regis from 1938 to 1965.

## Resolutions Endorse Chilhowee Academy

Two Knox County Associational Woman's Missionary Unions have issued identical resolutions in support of Harrison-Chilhowee academy in Seymour. The day group and night group put forth their intent to support the school with "interest and prayers, and to work for the promotion of the school in every way possible." Miss Jo Brown is coordinator of the night group, and Mrs. Edwin Loy heads the day group.



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## Restructure Plan Advanced By Southern Presbyterians

ATLANTA—Restructuring of the Presbyterian Church, U.S. (Southern), approved by the denomination's General Assembly in June, has been launched by its Board of National Ministries here.

By December 1973, the 950,000-member denomination will be administered by five divisions responsible to one General Executive Board.

To facilitate this program, the Board of National Ministries created a Transition Committee with former Moderator Dr. Ben Lacy Rose as chairman, and transferred \$90,230 from unrestricted reserves to the Board's Transition Expense Fund.

The Board also named Dr. John F. Anderson and Dr. Lawrence W. Bottoms to the Job Search and Relocation Committee to assist in personnel planning during the restructure period. It also asked its own staff to develop an "inventory" of National Ministries "functions, commitments, linkage with outside organizations and groups and other information needed to plan for the forthcoming transition." (RNS)

## Youths Acquire Skills In Baptist-Run Center

FARIDPUR, Bangladesh—Eleven trainees of the Christian Industrial Center here have been awarded certificates upon completion of a three-year mechanical arts training program. Twenty-three students enrolled in the current session study machine shop principles, welding, small diesel and gasoline motors, and foundry with blacksmithing. They apply their learned skills on the job throughout the province.

In addition, they receive Bible training and Christian teaching, and are active in the Faridpur Baptist church. Often they go to markets and bazaars to preach and sell gospel literature.

One boy who had completed only the third grade was able to receive training at the center on a scholarship. With his certificate he will be able to earn a living for his family. His father, a leper, requires constant hospitalization and medical care.

Southern Baptists provide about \$10,000 annually for support of the training center.

## 21 Facing Death Penalty Given Life Sentences

NASHVILLE—Gov. Winfield Dunn of Tennessee has announced that he is commuting the sentences of all 21 Tennessee prisoners who face the death penalty to 99 years in prison.

He said State Attorney General David M. Pack advised him that this was the most "stringent" penalty he could impose.

"This would mean these murderers and rapists on death row would have to serve 30 years before becoming eligible for parole," said Gov. Dunn.

He had asked for the attorney general's opinion after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the death penalty, as presently imposed, was unconstitutional. (RNS)

## Jehovah's Witnesses Will Publish Bible Completed In 1943 By Congregationalist

NEW YORK—A new Bible translation, The Bible in Living English, is being published by the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society, publishing agency for Jehovah's Witnesses.

An initial print run of 100,000 copies is now in progress. Although the new Bible will be distributed to district assemblies of the Witnesses in this country and abroad, it is not intended to replace the New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures as the official Witness Bible. Rather, it is seen as a supplement to the New World version.

## Chaplains Commission Aide Applauds Ruling Against Compulsory 'Chapel'

WASHINGTON, D.C.—"Gratified" and "reassuring" is how the Rev. A. Ray Appelquist, executive secretary of the General Commission on Chaplains and Armed Forces Personnel greeted the U.S. Court of Appeals decision ruling unconstitutional compulsory chapel attendance for cadets at the three military academies.

"In addition to being gratified," Dr. Appelquist said, "I find it intriguing that there is a great deal here that adds to our understanding of the whole church-state issue in American life."

The commission, a civilian agency maintained by 41 affiliated Protestant bodies as a liaison between them and the military services on chaplaincies, had filed a friend-of-the-court brief in the case which began in January 1970 when six midshipmen at the U.S. Naval Academy and a West Point cadet sought a court reversal of compulsory chapel attendance. (RNS)

The Bible in Living English is the result of 45 years of work by the late Steven T. Byington (1868-1957). Although he completed the work in 1943, he was unable to find a firm interested in publishing it. After his death, the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Pennsylvania obtained publication rights, and turned the work over to the New York headquarters for publication. (RNS).

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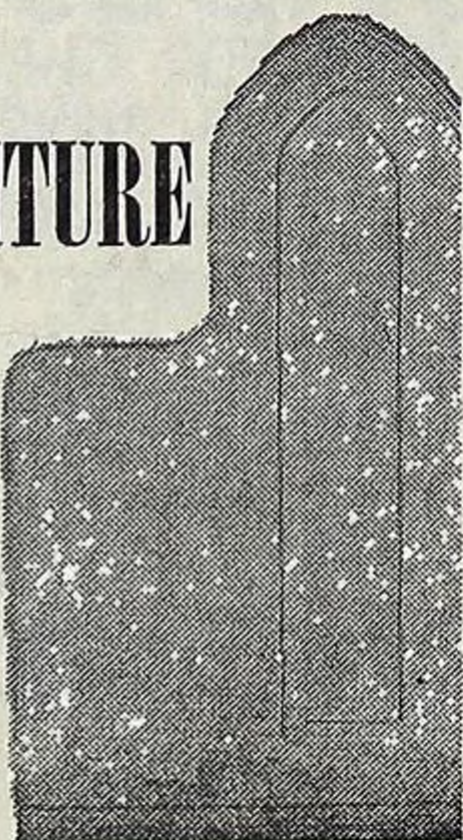
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# Georgia Governor's Wife Leads Ministry To Underprivileged

**ATLANTA**—A unique ministry of medical and recreational services for underprivileged children in one of Atlanta's poorest neighborhoods was opened officially by the wife of Georgia's governor who was a leader in getting a Baptist church to sponsor the project.

Called "Operation Touch 1972," the project is sponsored by the Northside Drive Baptist Church in northwest Atlanta.

"It is a genuine joy to see a church doing this type of thing for needy people in one of Atlanta's most needy communities," said Mrs. Jimmy Carter, wife of the Georgia governor and active member of the Northside Drive Church.

"This center will meet spiritual needs as well as physical needs," said Mrs. Carter, a leader in getting "Operation Touch 1972" underway. She officially opened the door at the dedication service here.

The church is operating a medical-recreational clinic in a small building formerly used by a brick company and a railroad company in the Pittsburg section near Atlanta Stadium. The area is predominately Black.

About 35 young people from Northside Drive church will operate the clinic, giving

eye examinations, dental tests and anemia tests to children and teenagers.

Those needing eye or dental care will first be referred to Fulton County health officers for thorough screening and then be sent to one of four doctors or dentists in Northside Drive church who have volunteered their free services.

In addition to eye and dental tests, the youngsters will be offered instructions and supplies for good dental care.

The clinic building will also serve as headquarters for a recreational program for Pittsburg area youngsters. The 35 youth from Northside Drive church will supervise the recreation program.

Tony Callaway, youth minister at the Northside Drive church, is director of the clinic and head of the recreation program. He is working with Economic Opportunity Atlanta officials, and with other church leaders.

"Operation Touch 1972" is the second medical and dental project for Northside Drive church.

In 1971, the church sent 24 young people and a team of doctors and dentists to remote areas of Honduras to operate similar medical-dental clinics in six isolated villages.

In one of these villages, Gualcince, a tiny church was born with 10 charter members

## New Books

**Would You Believe** Living New Testament, Student edition, Tyndale House, 709 pp., \$1.95. Illustrated.

**Things Families Do Together** by Zadabeth Dupree Uland, Convention Press, 69 pp. A unit for older preschoolers in the New Church Study Course.

**Acres of Diamonds** by Russell H. Conwell, Spire Books, 63 pp., \$.75. A reprint of the famous and time-honored classic by Russell H. Conwell.

**The Woman at the Well** by Dale Rogers Evans, Spire Books, 240 pp., \$.95.

**It Happened On A College Campus** by Edgar M. Cook, Dean Emeritus of Carson-Newman College. The book contains a brief history of the college, a list of its organizations, a list of outstanding athletes, and a picture and a short biography of 60 faculty members. The book may be ordered from Dr. Cook, 908 S. Pearl Avenue, Jefferson City, Tenn. \$2.00.

converted by workers in the clinic.

Another Northside Drive team is going back to Honduras in August to operate another clinic for two weeks, and to dedicate a church building which Northside Drive church has bought for the Gualcince church.

W. Forrest Lanier, pastor at Northside Drive, will lead the group going to Honduras in August. (BP)

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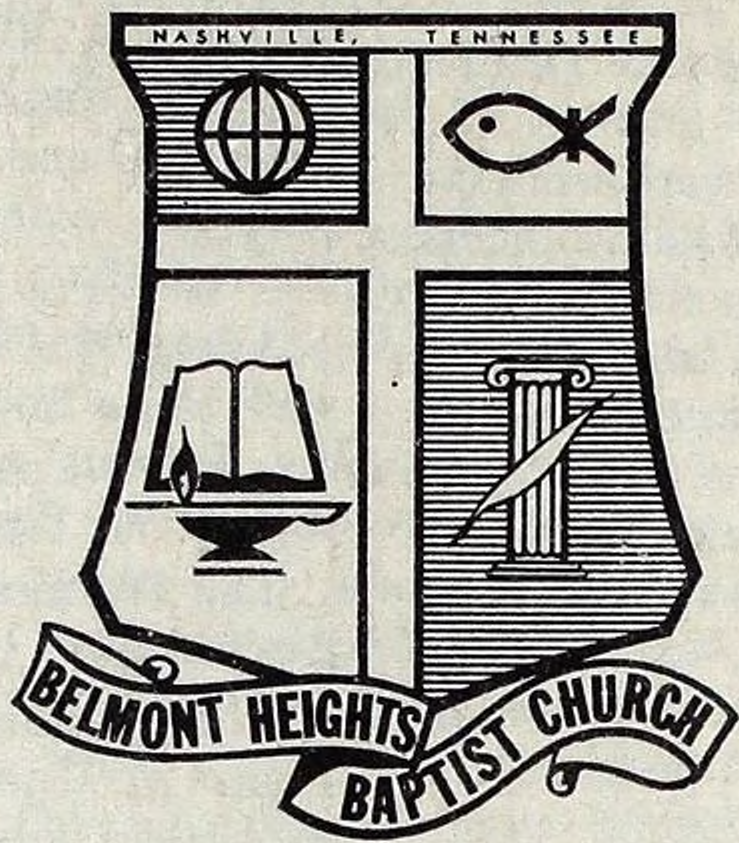
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## Church Withdraws Ordination From Baptist Woman Minister

COLUMBIA, S. C.—In the wake of news reports that she was three months pregnant at the time of her marriage, the Kathwood Baptist church has withdrawn the ordination of Mrs. Shirley Carter Lee.

Mrs. Lee made national headlines last October when she became the second woman in Southern Baptist history to be ordained to the gospel ministry. Again in May, she made national news when she announced plans to marry W. Pringle Lee, a former Catholic priest.

A feature story in the "Charlotte Observer", distributed nationally by the Associated Press, disclosed in mid-July that Mrs. Lee is expecting a child in November.

Within a week, Kathwood Baptist Church, which ordained Mrs. Lee to the ministry as a chaplain at the women's state prison here, voted to revoke her ordination.

Two days later, Mrs. Lee resigned her position as a chaplain at the Harbison Correctional Institute for Women here. She said she could no longer continue to function as a chaplain without ordination.

In a special called Sunday night business session following a lengthy deacons meeting, the church voted 56-39 to accept the request of Mrs. Lee to be relieved of her ordination. Mrs. Lee pointed out that she made the request at the suggestions of the deacons and the pastor.

In her letter, read to the church by her husband, Mrs. Lee stated that her request was also made "after prayerful consideration involving myself and my husband, and because I find I can no longer function in an atmosphere of censure and non-acceptance that does not involve concern for myself and my ministry to the inmates of the department of corrections." (BP)

## Two States, Philadelphia Petition Court On Death Penalty Ruling

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Georgia, Texas and the City of Philadelphia have filed petitions asking the U.S. Supreme Court to review and reverse its recent decision that the death penalty is unconstitutional as imposed under most existing laws.

The petitions were offered to demonstrate that a rational and consistent pattern of enforcement existed in Georgia, Texas and Philadelphia. They said the Court should have sustained death sentences except in cases of demonstrated unfairness.

Filing the petitions were Attorneys General Crawford C. Martin of Texas and Arthur K. Bolton of Georgia and Philadelphia District Attorney Arlen Specter.

In its June 29 ruling, the Supreme Court held by a 5-to-4 vote that the imposition of the death penalty in three cases—two in Georgia, one in Texas—subjected the men to "cruel and unusual punishment." (RNS)



# Personally

By James A. Lester

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**JEFFERSON CITY**—An innovation in the admission of freshmen students was recently announced by Carson-Newman's director of admissions, Paul W. Roden. Under new guidelines recently approved by the Executive Council, students applying as freshmen for the 1973-74 school year will no longer have to submit transcripts of their high school work for admissions consideration.

They will be considered for admission on the basis of their high school rank in class or grade point average (GPA) and their ACT or SAT test scores.

Previously, students had been required to submit a transcript at the time of application, followed by a final transcript after graduation.

Dr. Walter Guyton, academic dean, said, "We feel this innovation will speed up and improve the admissions process for the student, his counselor, and the Admissions Office." Other colleges currently using similar programs include Baylor University, University of Kentucky and Oklahoma University.

## New Books

**Someone Cares** by Helen Steiner Rice, Fleming H. Revell Company, 128 pp., \$4.95. Collected poems of Helen Steiner Rice.

**Dinner on the Grounds Cookbook** by Elizabeth Swadley, Broadman Press, 128 pp. Favorite recipes of famous Baptists.

**Life is Tremendous** by Charles E. Jones, Tyndale House, 107 pp., \$1.25. A humorous and spiritual approach to leadership and successful living.

**Much More!** by Jack R. Taylor, Broadman Press, 160 pp., \$4.95. A view of the believer's resources in Christ.

**Miracles in Indonesia** by Don Crawford, Tyndale House, 160 pp., \$1.25.

**Celebrate with Words** by Ruth Vaughn, Broadman Press, 42 pp. Fifteen readings, humorous and appreciative, to honor special days and people.

**Meet the Prophets** by Eugene Skelton, Broadman Press, 160 pp.

**The Touch of the Spirit** by Ralph W. Beighbour Jr., Broadman Press, 160 pp., \$4.95. The spirit-filled approach to witnessing.

**Galatians: Freedom Through Christ** by Howard P. Colson and Robert J. Dean, Convention Press, 135 pp. January Bible study.

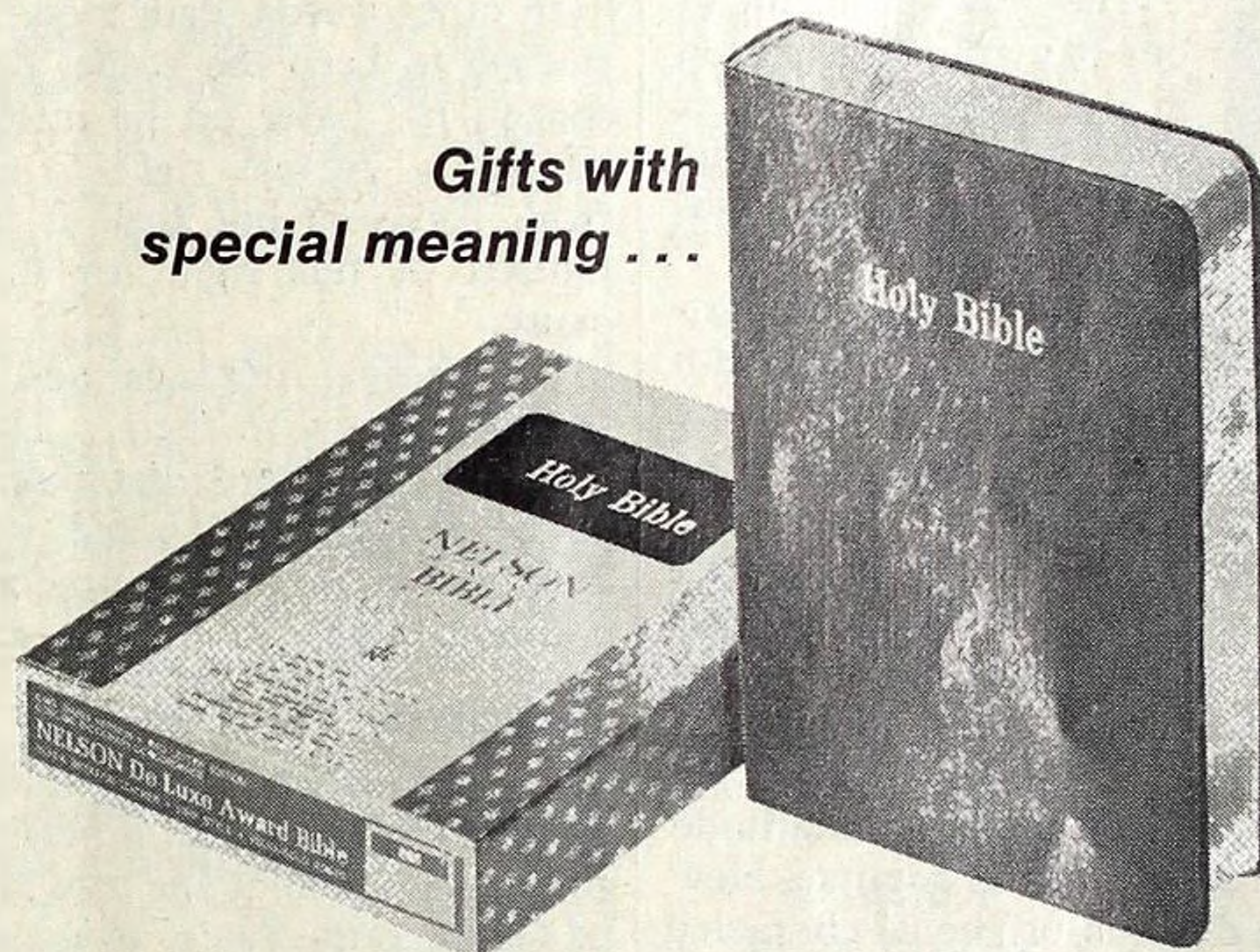
## Merger Of Baptist Churches Could Develop Major School

**HOUSTON, Texas**—The proposed merger of the downtown First Baptist church and the River Oaks Baptist church could result in the creation here of a 12-grade church-operated school.

The 7000 member First Baptist church has no school, but if the merger takes place the River Oaks school will probably expand to 12 grades from its present six, according to Mrs. George Thompson, principal.

River Oaks Baptist school is three years old, has 240 pupils enrolled in elementary classes and has a self-supporting budget of \$100,000.

The Rev. John Bisagno of First Baptist church developed the idea of the proposed merger and establishment of a 12-grade school (RNS)



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# Concentrating On The Cities

By W. R. White  
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Basic Passage: Acts 18:1 to 19:12  
Focal Passages: Acts 18:1-4, 8-11; 19:8-10

The cities have come to dominate modern society as never before. They have the big papers, the broadcasting media and are fed by the great arteries of transportation. They lead in population over the combined population of small towns and rural areas.



White

The grave problems of our day are concentrated in our duties, the inner city (or ghetto), drug traffic, gangsterism, violence and immorality. More and more apartments and high rises shut out contact with general public and isolate the people living in them from church visitation as well as others. Nearly everything in the development of the modern city militates against the church. For instance, all kinds of activities, business-wise and recreational-wise, tend to cancel out the ancient landmarks of the Lord's day.

There was a time when a large multitude poured into the city from the country. New blood, strong in the iron of choice character gave staunch and virile leadership, stabilized and moulded the city. Only a trickle comes in now.

The cities must be reached or else we are doomed. There are encouraging evidences that the cities in the south, central and far west can be reached. The big cities of the east, particularly the northeast, are becoming graveyards of the churches.

In Paul's day the cities were so strategic that he concentrated on them with great success. His strategy has many lessons for us.

## Paul Sustains Himself Acts 18

The apostle Paul met some new friends who had been banished from Rome because they were Jews—Aquila and Priscilla. Like Paul, they were tentmakers. Paul resided with them and worked at his trade to make a living. He did not want his ministry discounted by being a charge on any one.

In other words, Paul used thoughtful precaution to keep the gospel from being evil-spoken of. Later on he informs them that he had a perfect right to expect support from believers but that at first he denied himself of this right for the sake of the cause.

The gospel message and the Christian faith were new to them. They could have easily misinterpreted the missionary's motive so he toiled and labored with this lovely couple that he might proclaim the gospel without charge.

## He Goes to The Synagogue

On the Sabbath Paul went to the synagogue to worship. He proclaimed a message proving Jesus to be the true Messiah, the Son of God and the Savior of the world. Some of the leaders not only disputed with him but spoke evil of The Way. He cast the dust off his feet and turned to the Greeks with his message of redemption in Christ. He made his headquarters with a prominent pagan.

It must be noted, however, that Crispus, a ruler of the synagogue, along with other Jews, believed. In fact many Corinthians believed and also were baptized.

## Paul Shifts But Continues

With his headquarters at the home of Justus, Paul continued his witnessing with particular direction toward Gentiles.

The Lord encouraged Paul to carry on his work in Corinth for many were yet to be won. For a year and a half his effective preaching continued.

With Crispus and Justus lost to them and the marvelous ministry among the Gentiles it was too much for the opposition. He was haled before Gallio the Roman governor but he dismissed them and their charges as petty differences among them as Jews.

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Paul went to Ephesus and here he witnessed in the synagogue. Opposition mounted. As the apostle tried to convince

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### Dead Or Alive?

By Jonas L. Stewart  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Paul says "You hath he made alive who were dead in trespasses and sin" (Eph. 2:1). Some people, according to Paul, could be called a walking corpse. The reverse can be true as with Abel, "he being dead yet speaketh." (Heb. 11:4).

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them of the kingdom of God the enemies persisted in speaking evil of the new faith.

Paul took the believers and continued his message in the lecture hall of Tyrannus. Witnessing spread over the whole area of the Province of Asia. All heard the word during the two years spent there.

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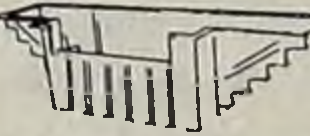
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# From the Executive Secretary

By W. Fred Kendall

Vacation days are here and for once in several years I am taking two weeks off for rest and visiting with loved ones. Modern life is so complex and the world is moving so fast that both the mind and the body demand a change of pace and a relaxation time. Perhaps most of us sin against ourselves by pushing ourselves too much and in occupying every waking minute with meeting some deadline or in concentrating on the solution of some major problem.



Kendall

In spite of the attempts of modern man to attain a shorter work week and to secure more leisure time, he finds himself imprisoned in the many demands upon his time. I have often been asked why it is that with so many time-saving devices and with so much automation and mechanization that we seem to have less time and leisure than our fathers and grandfathers. It is partly due to the fact that modern life has been enlarged so much to take in so much more. Modern travel and the means of transportation have greatly increased the world in which each of us lives.

Several years ago we lived in communities. In the country we lived on the farm and went to town only when there was a real necessity to go shopping for needed supplies. The old family garden furnished many vegetables and large stores of canned vegetables and other foods such as meats in the old smokehouse meant that we did not have to go to the grocery every day nor even every week.

In the cities and small towns people also lived in communities. There were small groceries in walking distance and many delivered groceries to the home. One went to a community school and a church nearby. Street cars provided excellent transportation for a small fare. But going downtown was a big event and was reserved for special needs and great occasions.

On Matters of

## Family Living

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### Mother-Infant Attachment Not Always Immediate

It may take as long as 3 months for a new mother to develop strong feelings of attachment for her baby, a study of 54 first-time mothers suggests. Apparently the bond between mother and baby does not materialize at birth, but is forged link by link and day by day as the two respond to each other.

Only 7 of 54 women studied felt deep attachment to their infants immediately. Nine mothers, who did not want their babies or whose babies' behavior was unusual, were very late in developing attachment for their infants.

Most of the mothers felt impersonal affection for their babies during the first 4 to 6 weeks, but it was not until they began to see their infants as responsive individuals rather than as dependent objects—some time during the second month—that an intense feeling of relationship was born, Drs. K. S. Robson and H. A. Moss of Tufts New England Medical Center, Boston, and the National Institutes of Mental Health, Bethesda, report in the *Journal of Pediatrics*.

Now we have at least two cars in many homes and we travel over a wide range every day. We drive across the city to a new shopping center or we go downtown to an important meeting or a civic club. We even drive half way across the state and back in the evening.

What I am saying is that we now have to stop and get our breath in the busy rush. Many are coming to untimely deaths with heart attacks because the physical body will not endure the strains. In modern life we are going to have to discover a way to get some leisure that is leisure and make it a time for relaxation and rest. I am trying to set a change of pace for these two weeks for the very busy days ahead.

## Historically:

### From the files

#### 50 YEARS AGO

Lloyd T. Wilson, treasurer, Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, informed readers that the Board had had to borrow money to meet its outstanding obligations. He stated that more money would have to be borrowed unless the churches were more diligent in sending in their remittances on the \$75 million Southern Baptist Convention campaign.

The State B.Y.P.U. Convention appointed three general secretaries to serve during 1922-23. They were Miss Trula Sullivan, South Knoxville church; Miss Daphine Newcom, Deaderick Avenue church, Knoxville; and Miss Hattie Potts, Bell Avenue church, Knoxville.

#### 20 YEARS AGO

Harrison-Chilhowee academy Board of Trustees elected Stuart Rule as president of the academy to succeed Ray Anderson who retired after 23 years of service. Rule had served nine years as pastor of First church, Oak Ridge. He was a graduate of Carson-Newman college and Southern Baptist Theological seminary.

There were 431,037 pupils enrolled in Baptist Sunday Schools in Tennessee at the beginning of 1952 according to a report just released from the Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information of the Baptist Sunday School Board. This reflected a net membership gain of 18,241 during the previous year.

#### 10 YEARS AGO

A new concept in the care and treatment of the chronically ill patient was activated when Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, put the Lamar Unit into operation. Planned capacity was 200 beds.

Members of the Southeast Mission of First church, Murfreesboro, broke ground for a \$95,000 unit which would include a sanctuary and educational building. Their pastor was Archie King.

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## 'People Who Care' Must Help With Prison Reform, Cash Says

WASHINGTON—Johnny Cash, country music star who spends a lot of time giving his Christian testimony at religious rallies, appeared before a Senate subcommittee here to talk about one of his favorite subjects: prison reform.

Cash declared in his quiet earnest voice that the biggest need in rehabilitating prisoners is "for people who care."

Ministers, deacons, rabbis and other responsible community citizens must get involved in one-to-one caring relationships with prisoners, Cash told the Senate panel.

"Money will not do it," Cash stressed. "The public must care and get involved . . . it all comes down to caring."

The Senate subcommittee on penitentiaries is considering a number of bills aimed at reforming the criminal justice system. Sen. William Brock (R.-Tenn.) sponsor of one of the bills, introduced Cash and two recently paroled men, Glen Sherley and Harlan Sanders.

Sherley testified that he was a "three-time loser at Folsom prison" when Johnny Cash "reached down a hand to me . . . that and only that pulled me out of the mud." Sherley has appeared on several of Cash's shows, and Cash has helped Sherley get a start as a country music singer.

Earlier Sherley told the committee that in prison, "a man's life is worth no more than a pack of cigarettes, because people will take anything you have, including your pride."

Sherley called prison life "a subculture where it's easy to be a cog in the wheel."

## Nation's Capital Bids For Graham Crusade

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Evangelist Billy Graham has been invited to hold a crusade in the nation's capital next year.

Rep. Wilmer (Vinegar Bend) Mizell (R.-N.C.) is chairman of an ad hoc committee that has been set up to bring Mr. Graham to Washington for a crusade.

Mizell, a former National League baseball pitcher and a lay preacher of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, said that although there are no definite plans yet, he is going on the assumption that the crusade will be held next year.

The congressman pointed out that a crusade next year would coincide with Key '73, the national evangelistic effort in which more than 100 Churches and Christian organizations are cooperating.

An invitation has been extended to Mr. Graham by Mayor Walter E. Washington and D.C. Delegate Walter Fauntroy, an ordained Baptist clergyman. Dr. Walter H. Smyth, the evangelist's campaign coordinator, indicated that a response will be made "by late August."

Washington has been host to two Billy Graham crusades, in 1952 and 1960. (RNS)

Hardened criminals, he said, can be reached "only with concern and love and care . . . and you've got to feel the caring." The ex-convict judged that the emotional growth of most of the people in prison "was aborted in childhood."

Cash again repeated the need for local citizens to be involved. Work could be done on the state and local level where "governors and mayors could ask for and enlist aid from ministers, clergymen, responsible businessmen and other citizens who care," Cash said.

Earlier Burdick observed what seemed to be the theme of the poignant testimonies heard from the two ex-prisoners in that crowded hearing room in the Senate office building, saying: "We need more Johnny Cashes." (BP)

## Ad Wanting To Buy Church Gets Best Possible Results

PROVIDENCE, R.I.—For five days, Providence Baptist church here ran an advertisement in the real estate section of a newspaper here headlined, "Wanted to Buy—A Church."

After no response, Pastor Marion Hayes thought they had spent \$13.30 in vain, and the congregation would have to continue meeting in a hotel instead of their own building.

Shortly after the ad was cancelled, a woman called to ask if they still needed to "hire a house." When Hayes explained his congregation's needs, she said without identifying herself, "Oh, you're Southern Baptist. You'll probably do then." She said she'd call back.

Three weeks later, she did. Mrs. Arthur Carlson, a member of Parkside Community church, said she had talked to the trustees of her church who favored some arrangement between the two congregations.

She said the church had prayed that God would show them some way they could continue the ministry of their church, and that the possibility of the Baptist church taking up a ministry in their community seemed to answer their prayers.

Visting the church, Hayes found the facilities ideal for his 54-member congregation. There were 10 active members of Parkside, almost all in their 70's and 80's.

After joint services, the Parkside church voted unanimously to "turn the building over to you, lock, stock and barrel," said Mrs. Carlson. Parkside even included the \$4,200 in the church treasury.

Hayes and his congregation moved into the new Parkside Providence Baptist church, bringing most of the membership of both churches together.

Mrs. Carlson later told Hayes that the first person to see the ad was Miss Emily Paine, 88, a direct descendant of Baptist pioneer Roger Williams (BP)

## Wingate President Smith Injured In Car-Train Crash

WINGATE, N. C.—Budd E. Smith, president of Wingate College, was critically injured here when a freight train plowed into his car, tossing it 90 feet and throwing Smith an additional 25 feet.

Four days after the wreck, Smith was listed in "satisfactory" condition at Charlotte Memorial Hospital, Charlotte, N. C.

He was suffering from possible fractured ribs, numerous cuts and bruises, and multiple contusions.

Witnesses said signal lights were flashing at the railroad crossing on North Main Street here when Smith's car headed to the crossing at about 10 miles per hour. The Seaboard Coast Line freight train, traveling at about 45 miles per hour, sounded its whistle and tried to stop, but crashed into the car broadside.

Witnesses said Smith's air conditioner was still running after the crash. Railroad officials theorized he could not hear the train with the windows up and air conditioner on, and that he did not see the flashing signal lights.

Smith, knocked unconscious by the blow, was taken to the Charlotte hospital where his condition was first listed as "critical." Three days later, he regained semi-consciousness and was listed in "satisfactory" condition.

Smith had been working in his office at the Baptist junior college here until noon Saturday, and was on his way home when the accident occurred. His wife was in a Charlotte hospital at the time, undergoing surgery three days before Smith's accident. (BP)

## Mrs. Bell, BSSB Employee, Dies

Miss Della Francis Bell, an employee of the Baptist Sunday School Board since 1953, died in Nashville last week. She was 53.

She had served the board as a statistical clerk in the Research Services Department since 1969. She joined the board in 1953 as Baptist Book Store manager at Owensboro, Ky. Other positions included book store manager at Richmond, Va., and Albuquerque, N.M. She was active in denominational work in Kentucky, Virginia, and Tennessee.

Funeral services were held in Owensboro with Bob Norman, pastor of the Belmont Heights church, Nashville, officiating.

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