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## Groundbreaking For MTSU BSU Centennial Center Held June 3

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the Centennial Baptist Student Center were held Sunday, June 3, in Murfreesboro.

The \$225,000 building, designed for a ministry to university students, will be the first building of its type serving the Middle Tennessee State university campus. It will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and is scheduled to be dedicated when the convention's annual meeting is held in Murfreesboro in November 1974.

Featured speakers for the ceremonies included Archie D. King, pastor of Southeast Baptist church and chairman of the student committee of the Concord Baptist Association; and Ralph Norton, executive secretary-treasurer of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. Other participants were Thomas E. Bryant, superintendent of missions, Concord Association; Howard Kirksey, vice-

president for academic affairs, MTSU; Eugene Cotey, pastor, First church, Murfreesboro; and James Davis, pastor, Mt. Hermon church and associational moderator. Glenn Yarbrough, secretary of the state Student Department, and Marion Arbuckle, president of the BSU at the school spoke on "The Future of Our Ministry." Robert Alexander, chairman, Department of Agriculture, MTSU; and Ircel Harrison, director of Baptist student ministries, were featured also.

The building, designed by Architect-Engineer Associates of Nashville, will include a student lounge, library, multi-purpose area, meeting rooms, prayer room, office area, kitchen, and apartment.

The Centennial Baptist Student Center is a co-operative project by the Tennessee Baptist Convention and Concord Baptist Association.

## Maggie Nell Brewer Named Dean Of Women At Union

Miss Maggie Nell Brewer, dean of women at Union university since 1965, has been named acting dean of students, it was announced recently by the school's president, Robert E. Craig.

The new position is effective this week following the resignation of Don Ellis, current dean of students. Ellis will return to Texas to work in government service.

Miss Brewer is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and holds the Master of Arts degree from George Peabody college in Nashville. She is engaged in additional graduate study at Memphis State university.

Named also to a new position was Clyde Fugate, who will serve as dean of men and director of testing. Fugate is a former instructor at the Jackson Area Vocational Technical school. He served also for two years as dean of men at Northwest Mississippi Junior college in Senatobia, and was director of testing at Jackson State Community college.

## Lincoln Avenue Church Honors Ed Wilson

Ed Wilson, who has served as treasurer of Lincoln Avenue church, Newport, since 1938, was honored recently by the church at a morning worship service when he was presented a plaque for his 35 years' service and at a luncheon which followed. He has retired as treasurer but continues to serve as deacon and Sunday School teacher. Robert Wilson is pastor.

When he first began his duties as treasurer the church was known as the Second Baptist church.

Another favorite task of Wilson is visiting the elderly and those confined to their homes. He drives a maroon-colored car and the church people easily recognize it and look forward to his coming. He likes to recall leading some of his friends to Christ. Of these only one, Jasper Buckner, is still living.

The year 1935 was very important in the life of Ed Wilson. He was married to Zella Denton; he accepted Christ as his Saviour, joined the church and was baptized.

Wilson has been crippled since 1926, has been a widower since 1936, and now gets around by using two walking canes. He lives alone.

It was a long time before Wilson became a Christian . . . he was almost 45 years

## Inglewood Honors Mrs. Archer Robertson On 100th Birthday

Mrs. Archer Robertson, the oldest member of the Inglewood church in Nashville, celebrated her 100th birthday Tuesday, June 5, in Nashville.



Mrs. Robertson

A charter member of the church, she joined at its organization on March 9, 1924. According to James Hopkins, pastor, she has been active in various phases of church work throughout the years. She came to Nashville in 1915 and has been a widow since 1939. She has two children, Mrs. Clyde Elam, Nashville, and A. Lee Robertson, Lakeland, Fla.; two grandchildren, Mrs. A. D. Hancock, Nashville, and Walter R. Robertson, Winterhaven, Fla.; and six great grandchildren.

The centenarian lives alone and is able to do her own sewing. She stated that her favorite hymn is "Amazing Grace."

Church members honored her at a reception held at the church on Sunday, June 3.

old, but he has been busy about the Lord's business ever since.

## Orientation Session Slated For Summer Mission Workers

An orientation session for 16 college students working in mission activities in Tennessee this summer will be held at the Tennessee Baptist Convention Building in Brentwood, June 7-8, according to Glenn Yarbrough, state student secretary.

The training period will be directed toward preparing the students for their area of work and will include techniques in witnessing and counseling, and a study in hand crafts. Bill Henry, associate in the Student Department, and Paul Hall, associate in the state Missions Department, will lead the conferences. Instructors will include Milt Hughes, National Student Ministries, Baptist Sunday School Board; Larry Morris, professor of psychology, Middle Tennessee State university; and Mrs. Daryl Heath, children's consultant for the Sunday School Department, TBC.

Six of the students will be supported by the Student Missions Program financed by the Baptist Student Unions on the Tennessee college campuses. The remaining 10 students will be serving under the Special Ministries Department of the Home Mission Board, SBC.

# TO LIVE OR DIE?

By Herschel H. Hobbs

"For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain"—Philippians 1:21.

As Paul dictated this letter he was awaiting his appearance before Nero Caesar. He did not know whether he would be set free or put to death. So he discusses the matter.

Of one thing he is sure. Whether he lives or dies, he will glorify the Lord in his body (v. 20). If he continues to live, Christ will live in him and be magnified by his life. On the other hand, if he dies it will be his gain

for he will go to be with the Lord in blessed fellowship (v. 21).

So actually he is torn by two desires. He really wants to die (depart) and be with the Lord—no more struggle or pain (v. 23). But he realizes that for his Christian friends it will be better for them for him to live (v. 24). So he expresses confidence that the Lord will let him keep on living for the sake of those on earth who need him. (vv. 25-26).

On this basis he exhorts his readers to live lives in keeping with the gospel. What happens to him is of no consequence if they remain true (v. 27). Evidently they were facing adversaries of the gospel (v. 28). He knew of their fury from personal experience. But suffering is a part of the Christian life (vv. 28-30). So they should stand up under it, true to Christ, and glorifying Him in it.

What a wonderful philosophy of life and death! But it is available only to those who belong to Christ and are committed to His will.

## Washington State Strikes School Aid Laws

The State Supreme Court of Washington struck down state laws providing tax aid to parochial schools and church colleges in two recent law suits involving eight individual plaintiffs and the Americans United Research Foundation.

In the two lawsuits, *Weiss v. Bruno* and *Weiss v. O'Brien*, the court ruled that the existing laws violated the church-state separation provisions of both the United States and Washington State constitutions. The church school aid plan used individual students as conduits for the payments.

Attorney John D. Blankenship won the successful challenge to the two laws designed to channel public funds to sectarian educational institutions.



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## Pulpit To Pew

By Jim Griffith

A gentleman from an Asian country who spent some time as a visitor in the United States said near the end of his stay that "the single, strongest impression made on him was the enormous size of our garbage pails."

It cannot be denied that our nation has a lot of garbage—of one kind or another.

But surely this is not our greatest distinction: the largest garbage pails in the world! However, in recognizing our garbage problems, this foreign visitor has obviously detected "something in the air" about America.

It's not just a case of too much going to waste, but the tragedy of too many lives being thrown away on the garbage heap of sin and destruction.

And there are many who are not so much concerned with the throwaway materials as they are concerned about all of the throwaway lives. They can't be recycled.

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## Devotional

### 'Rare, Medium, And Well-Done'

By Michael H. Dawson, Pastor  
Dalewood Baptist Church, Nashville

"It is a rare thing that the king requireth . . . The secret which the king hath demanded cannot the wise men, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, show unto the king . . . Then the king made Daniel ruler over the whole province." Dan. 2:11, 27, 48.

Meat has been one of the top news items in recent months. One housewife said that after she had been shopping, her car was broken into, and forty dollars worth of meat was stolen out of her glove compartment. Someone else suggested credit cards just for meat, such as "Beef-Americard" and "Master-Chop." And as if that wasn't ridiculous enough, one butcher reminded his customers that there was a time when beef was much higher—"when the cow jumped over the moon."



Dawson

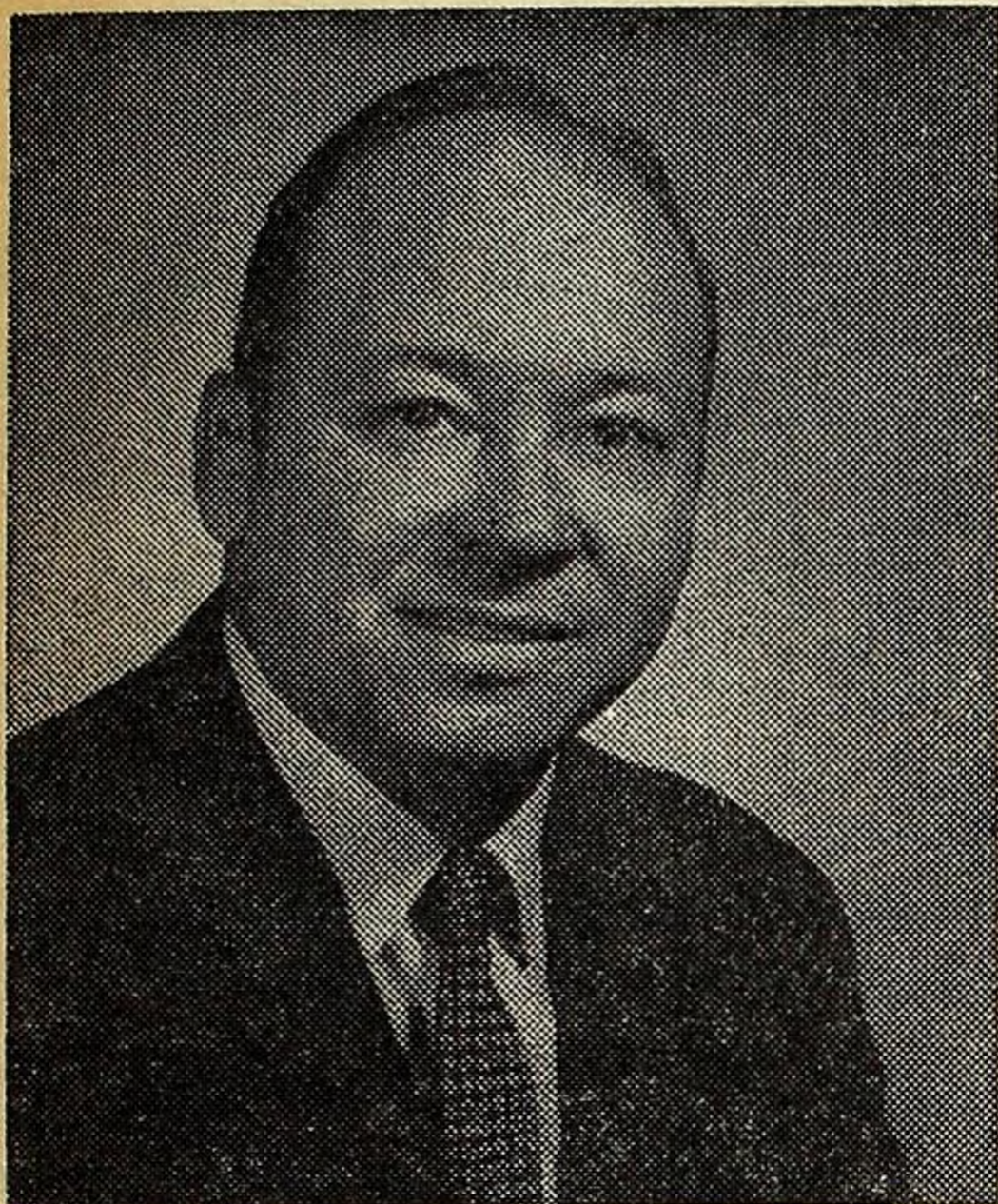
Words most often connected with meat are "rare, medium, and well-done." Those words are also descriptive of the wonderful story in Dan. 2.

The "Rare" Request. King Nebuchadnezzar dreamed a strange dream which bothered him, but he forgot the details of the dream. He demanded his wise men not only to interpret the dream but to remind him what he had actually dreamed. "This is a rare request," he said, "no king has ever asked such a thing." Ours is a "rare" world. No other generation has ever needed the gospel quite as much as this present one!

The "Medium" Men. The king's wise men admitted they were incapable of handling the "rare" request. "Medium" or "mediocre" or "average" Christians will not answer the needs of this rare age. "Medium" is really quite small today; have you noticed that the medium-sized toothpaste or detergent really is the smallest available? "Bantam Baptists and Pee-Wee Presbyterians and Midget Methodists" and other diminutive disciples cannot cope with the supersalesmanship of Satan in today's world!

The "Well-Done" Worker . . . Daniel and his friends prayed. God answered. The dream was revealed and interpreted. And Daniel was rewarded. Well done, good and faithful servant. One Christian worker said he was interested in getting two degrees—"B.A." and "W.D." The B.A. is "Born Again" and the W.D. is "Well Done!" "He'll understand and say 'Well Done!'"

# 'Roy Harmon Baptist Athlete Award' Will Honor Deceased C-N Leader



**Roy Harmon**

A group of former athletes from Carson-Newman college have established the "Roy Harmon Baptist Athlete Award," in memory of the late Carson-Newman coach.

The annual award will pay tribute to an outstanding Baptist high school athlete in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia.

Harmon coached football and track at the school from 1952 until 1963 when he became chairman of the Physical Education Department. He retained his coaching duties in track until 1965. From 1965 until his death from cancer in 1969, he served as chairman of the department and teacher. He was a member of First church, Jefferson City, where he served as a Sunday School teacher and deacon. Additionally, at Carson-Newman, he was an avid supporter of the Baptist Student Union and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

According to Nelson Ross, a member of the Roy Harmon Award Committee, the idea was initiated because of the deep sense of loyalty to the Christian principles demonstrated by Coach Harmon. His life exemplified "a special meaning to Baptists, to the coaching profession, and to all young men engaged in competitive athletics," Ross stated. He emphasized that the formation of the award not only pays tribute to our young Baptist men who are outstanding athletes, but it honors men like Harmon.

The recipient of the award in each state will be named in July, and will receive a citation at a banquet in his home church. His name will be engraved on a plaque commemorating the selection and placed in the Holt Fieldhouse on the Carson-Newman campus.

Tennessee Baptists are urged by the com-

mittee to nominate an outstanding high school athlete who is active in the total program of the church for this honor. All high school sports will be considered equally by the selections committee. Nominations should include reasons the athlete is deserving, the name of his church, his pastor, and his parents. Nominations should be submitted no later than June 30 to: Roy Harmon Award, Box 1972, Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City, Tenn. 37760.

## 19 Royal Ambassadors To Get Service Awards

**PORTLAND**—Seventeen Royal Ambassadors will be recognized by Southern Baptist Convention President Owen Cooper during the denomination's annual convention here June 13.

Each of the Royal Ambassadors, members of the missions-education organization for boys, has earned the Ambassador Service National Award which represents 750 hours of volunteer service through a local church.

Three of the boys will be in Portland to receive a national award plaque from the SBC president.

The recipients to be recognized on the Convention platform are Boyd Lynn Worthey of Emmanuel Baptist church, Pasco, Washington; and John Bob Gilbert and Phillip Johnson of Union Avenue Baptist church, Memphis, Tennessee.

The other national award winners are Tommy Mayhood of Sugarland, Texas; Ken Raines of Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Jerry Downs and Ricky Black of Pineville, Louisiana; and Edwin Bridges of Morgantown, North Carolina.

Other recipients are Alan Huesing of Irving, Texas; Randy Whitener of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and Ronnie Wagner and Brue Anderson of LaMarque, Texas. (BP)

## Baker James Cauthen Writes Volume Of Testimony And Inspiration

**NASHVILLE**—Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board is the author of "Beyond Call," a recently-released book from Broadman Press.

The book is based on charges delivered by Cauthen to newly-appointed missionaries, promising through God's Word the necessary faith, courage, joy and love for their needs. At the same time, his testimony speaks to all men and women who have answered God's call to be Christians in all that they do.

Cauthen and his wife were appointed missionaries to China in April, 1939. After language study, they did evangelistic work

## East Tennessee Preachers' School Scheduled June 25-29

The 1973 East Tennessee Baptist Summer Preachers' School will be held June 25-29 on the campus of Carson-Newman college, according to a recent announcement from Nat C. Bettis, director of extension and church vocations at the school.



**Dr. Summers**



**Mrs. Summers**

A husband and wife team, Dr. and Mrs. Ray Summers, Waco, Tex., will be teaching along with Eual Lawson, retired staff member of the Evangelism Department of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. Other staff members will include John Ellis, Jefferson City physician; Albert Myers, scientist-educator, Carson-Newman faculty; and Timothy Summers, assistant pastor and youth minister of the First Baptist church of Morristown.

Summers is the chairman of the Department of Religion at Baylor university. He has done special graduate studies at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland and the University of Basel, Switzerland. He will be teaching the Southern Baptist 1974 January Bible Study Books of Colossians and Philemon for the preachers' school. Mrs. Summers will focus her instruction on "How To Study The Bible" for pastors' wives attending the school.

Lawson will be teaching "Glossolalia and Baptist;" and Summers will discuss "The Youth Ministries of a Modern Baptist Church."

A theme, "The Professions Look At the Ministry," will be discussed by Ellis and Myers.

The 1973 school will be held in cooperation with the Jefferson County Area Evangelistic Crusade, Bettis indicated.

Registration for all sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, June 25, with the opening meeting scheduled for 10:00 a.m.

in Kweilin, Kwangsi, until 1945. Before his missionary appointment, Cauthen had been for three years acting professor of missions at Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, Fort Worth, and had served earlier as pastor of several churches in Texas, his native state.

In 1945, he was elected secretary for the Orient, one of the three major areas of Southern Baptist mission work at the time, and in 1954 he became executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

"Beyond Call" will be available in Baptist and general book stores in early June.

## Convention In Portland

Many Tennessee Baptist leaders will be en-route to Portland, Oregon this week end for the annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is our prayerful hope that this will be a "good" Convention session. There does not at this point—just prior to the meeting of the Convention—appear to be major difficulties in sight at this year's series of meetings.

Thus, it is our belief that if the messengers who attend the Convention in behalf of their congregations and denominational positions of service, attend in an attitude of prayer, this could be a major inspirational session. We believe that some 10,000 Southern Baptists returning from Portland with a renewed commitment to Our Lord and to the ministries of Southern Baptists could help bring about a new sense of revival.

As is usually the case, there are many different meetings and programs planned in conjunction with the Convention sessions. We could wish that these might not detract in any manner from the main convention sessions.

We recognize the importance of these meetings, and the necessity for some of them. Again, it is our hope that we might attend in an attitude of prayer, recognizing that those who attend do so as representatives for the many millions of Southern Baptists who cannot attend. This places upon each messenger a rather special trust to uphold.

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## Keep The Lights On

Tennessee and Southern Baptists are placing especial emphasis this year upon the importance of the Sunday night services—Church Training and the evening worship service.

This emphasis, about which more will be written later, is much needed and long overdue. If Southern Baptists do not wake up and support fully and with vitality the Sunday night Church Training and worship programs, eventually, we will ignore ourselves out of these very important phases of church life. When this happens,—when the lights go out in Baptist churches on Sunday night—Tennessee and Southern Baptists are indeed in trouble.

We have watched over the past 20 years as one by one, many churches in many denominations have abolished their entire Sunday evening program. And what we have

observed is this: When the lights have gone out on Sunday evening, much spiritual vitality has gone out of the churches. And, we have yet to see a return of this vitality in most instances. Any arguments to the contrary, Baptists cannot afford to close their doors on Sunday night.

The Church Training Department of the Tennessee Convention, in co-operation with the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has made substantial efforts to put "new life" into church training. We think there has been an improvement in the materials provided. We think that a new sense of direction has been offered.

Whether the local churches take advantage of these changes is, of course, up to them. Again, it has been our observation that without a strong Church Training program on Sunday evening, the evening worship service suffers in many ways.

It is very important that we rethink our posture on our Sunday evening programs in Baptist churches. These services have blessed us and been a blessing for many, many years. They still have a place—a necessary one—in Baptist life, and thus cannot, we believe, be ignored.

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## Divine Summons



# Da Vinci's 'The Last Supper' Copy Given To R-TV Commission



**LORD'S SUPPER**—The life-like wax figures sculptured from da Vinci's "The Last Supper" will get a new Fort Worth home. Jesus, left, sups with Thomas (finger upraised), James the brother of John, and Philip. Reflected on faces of these and the other nine disciples are their reactions to Jesus' "One of you shall betray me."

One of America's two life-size wax renditions of Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece, "The Last Supper," has been given to the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission and will be on display in Fort Worth some time after 1973.

The wax sculptures were commissioned

## Baptist Pastor Robbed En Route To New York Church

**TRENTON, Ga.**—A Mississippi Baptist pastor en route to assume a new pastorate in New York was robbed of most of his possessions when someone drove off with the U-Haul truck he was using to move his household goods.

John Barnett of Hattiesburg, Miss., and his family had spent the night at a motel here with the rental truck parked outside the room.

At 6:00 a.m. on Sunday morning, one of Barnett's sons went to get some clothes from the truck and discovered it was gone.

Police found the abandoned truck, empty of all Barnett's possessions, about 11 miles south of Chattanooga, Tenn.

Stolen were most of Barnett's personal belongings, household goods, books and sermons. Barnett said the thing he regrets most is the loss of his sermon notes and notes from his studies at Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary.

Most of the losses will be covered by insurance, Barnett said.

Barnett and his family proceeded by car to Floyd, N.Y., where he has begun his work as pastor of the Floyd Baptist church. (BP)

by the late William Fleming of Fort Worth after he and Mrs. Fleming had viewed a wax interpretation of da Vinci's famed painting.

The figures will be on display in the new building which will be built after the Commission's SECOND STEP campaign is completed.

"We are delighted with the gift and will place it in a room that can be used for dual purposes," said Dr. Paul M. Stevens, president of the Commission. "That way, when the display is not on view, the room will be available for Commission meetings and conferences."

The display will be located so that it may be viewed by the public (at no charge) when other parts of the building are closed. Curtains will conceal it when the room is used for other purposes.

The gift was made to the Radio and Television Commission by Mr. and Mrs. F. Howard Walsh of Fort Worth. Mrs. Walsh is the daughter of Mr. Fleming.

The wax display was created by the late Mrs. Katherine Stubergh and her daughter, (also named Katherine). Members of a German family who had worked with wax for more than 300 years, the two women spent about eighteen months creating the entire display. Mrs. Stubergh was almost 80 when she worked on the scene.

## First Bilingual Baptist Book Store Manager Named

**NASHVILLE**—The son of former missionaries to Mexico has been named manager of the first bilingual Baptist Book Store, which will be opened in El Paso, Tex., in August.

J. D. Dawson, currently manager of the Lubbock Baptist Book Store in Texas, will transfer to the El Paso store later this summer, according to V. L. McGlocklin, western stores department manager, Book Store Division of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

"While Dawson lived in Mexico, he naturally learned to speak Spanish fluently," said McGlocklin. "He is also very familiar with Southern Baptist work and knows the book store business."

While a student at Mississippi college, Dawson began working for the Jackson Baptist Book Store as a part-time shipping clerk in 1952. He soon became that store's receiving clerk and held that position until he received his degree and entered Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, Fort Worth. Later, he returned to the Jackson store as stock room supervisor. In 1963, he became manager of the Denver store and in 1970, went to Lubbock. (BP)

## Tornado Destroys Church, Kills Man

**CENTERVILLE, Ala.**—A devastating tornado slammed into Brent Baptist church near here Sunday evening just minutes before the worship service was to begin, killing one man, hospitalizing four, but sparing the lives of more than 100 others due to the quick actions of the church's pastor and youth choir director.

According to Arthur Walker, vice president of Samford university in Birmingham and interim pastor of the church, it was nothing less than a miracle that the entire congregation was not killed.

The nightmarish experience began just as Church Training was dismissing. As members of the congregation began making their way from their departments, the electrical power went off. However, a special service honoring high school seniors had been planned so the choir assembled and the people began filing into the auditorium.

The youth choir left the darkened choir room and gathered outside a side entrance to the auditorium for a last minute rehearsal. Suddenly the choir's director, Jerry Pow, commanded the choir to be quiet. He heard a roar.

Pow told the choir to get in the basement and ran to the front of the church to warn of the approaching tornado. Walker rushed into the auditorium and urged the congregation to assemble in the basement as rapidly as possible. Within seconds the fierce tornado had leveled the auditorium, sparing only the front entrance and steeple. Minutes later the entire town of Brent lay in rubble.

Andrew Mitchell, reportedly in mid-seventies and with poor eyesight, was crushed to death when a wall caved in on him. He was just a few feet from the basement stairway. Another man narrowly escaped death and suffered a broken shoulder and collarbone.

Mitchell was the father of Harold Mitchell, deacon, teacher, and chairman of the Stewardship Committee at First Baptist church, Donelson, Tenn.

Pow and John Meigs, both college students, found two small children waiting for their parents in the vestibule just as the storm hit. They threw the youngsters to the floor and lay on top of them as the building collapsed. The steeple withstood the impact and the four survived.

The church had just called a new pastor, Rev. W. D. McGowin, who had already moved into the pastorium but was attending National Guard summer camp. His wife was visiting her parents in another city. The pastorium, located next door to the church, was also damaged heavily.

The destructive tornado was part of a massive storm that swept through Alabama causing more than \$20 million in damages and killing seven persons. (BP)

# Boston, Wife Honored By Memphis Church

Members of the Raleigh Baptist church, Memphis, honored their pastor, W. A. Boston, and his wife, Sunday, May 20, on the occasion of his 2th anniversary as pastor of the church.

Boston has been in the ministry for 40 years. He is a native of Obion County, and had three brothers in the ministry. A graduate of Oklahoma Baptist university, he served formerly as chairman of the Board of Trustees of Union university and was

on the Tennessee Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

A son, Raymond A. Boston, pastor of First church, Humboldt, led the evening service at the church. Four other children, James Boston, Ned Boston, and Mrs. Joe Jackson, Memphis, and David Boston, Jackson, Miss., attended the anniversary celebration also.

During the 20-year leadership of Boston, the church membership has increased 103 per cent; the average Sunday School attendance increased 270 per cent; and there were 3247 additions to the church, 1001 of which were baptized by Boston. The 1973 budget of the church is 480 per cent greater than the first budget of 1953. Total contributions paid into the church in 1972 reflected an increase of 499 per cent over 1953.

## Clark Named Editor Of BSSB Publication

George T. Clark, Texas pastor, television personality, and newspaper columnist, has been named editor of "Church Administration" magazine, (a monthly publication of the Baptist Sunday School Board. He will assume the position in June.

A graduate of Hardin-Simmons university in Abilene, and Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, he recently completed 20 years as a pastor. He has written extensively for various religious periodicals including "Home Life," "Open Windows," "Encounter," and "The Deacon," all board publications.

Phases of his Texas ministry include working as a weekend weather broadcaster and writing a syndicated newspaper column, "Just A Minute." As pastor of the Hillcrest church in Nederland, he uses both sideline jobs as religious vehicles to reach people.

### CORRECTION

In the "Baptist Press" story (Baptist And Reflector, May 24, 1973) entitled, "Scholarship Fund Created For Conference Staffers," paragraph three should read: "Proceeds from this fund will provide a \$500 scholarship . . ." instead of \$50.

### Program

## Southern Baptist Religious Education Association Sheraton Motor Inn, Portland, Ore.

June 10-11, 1973

Theme: "Share the Word Now"

### Sunday Afternoon

- 1:30 Registration
- 2:00 Sharing in Worship—Charles A. Tidwell, associate professor of church administration, Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.; Roy Lee Williams Jr., area worker, Union Baptist Association, Houston, Tex.
- 2:20 Life as Relationships—J. Lyn Elder, pastoral care instructor, Golden Gate Baptist Theological seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.
- 2:40 Call to Order  
Appointment of Committees  
Program Preview
- 2:55 The Price of Improved Leadership—James L. Sullivan, president, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
- 3:25 Music
- 3:30 The Priority of Sharing the Word—Joe David Heacock, dean, School of Religious Education, Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.
- 4:00 Benediction—C. G. Helderman, minister of music and education, Northside Baptist church, West Columbia, S.C.

### Sunday Evening

- 7:00 Sharing in Worship—Charles A. Tidwell, Fort Worth, Tex.; Roy Lee Williams, Houston, Tex.
- 7:20 Our Relationship to God—J. Lyn Elder, Mill Valley, Calif.
- 7:40 Music
- 7:45 Panel: Reaching More People—Mission Ministries, Allen H. Meeks, secretary of religious education, Religious Education Department, Alaska Baptist Convention, Anchorage, Alaska; Children's Ministries, Melvin A. Bradley, minister of education, First Baptist church, Wichita Falls, Tex.; Bus Ministries, D. Lewis White, consultant, extension activities section, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; Personal Ministries, Bernard M. Spooner, minister of education, Travis Avenue Baptist church, Fort Worth, Tex.; Downtown Ministries, Joe Burnette, minister of education, First Baptist church, Charlotte, N.C.; College Ministries, Dan Yeary, college director, South Main Baptist church, Houston, Tex.
- 8:20 Discussion
- 8:30 Music
- 8:35 Let the Laymen Share—Owen Cooper, president, Southern Baptist Convention, Yazoo City, Miss.
- 9:00 Benediction—M. R. Anderson, minister of education, University Baptist church, Coral Gables, Fla.

### Monday Morning

- 9:00 Sharing in Worship—Charles A. Tidwell, Fort Worth, Tex.; Roy Lee Williams, Houston, Tex.
- 9:20 Our Relationship to Ourselves—J. Lyn Elder, Mill Valley, Calif.
- 9:40 The Challenge of Sharing in More Places—Harold K. Graves, president, Golden Gate Baptist Theological seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.
- 10:05 Panel: Sharing in More Places—In Unchurched Areas, R. L. Pattillo Jr., director, Sunday School Department, Southern Baptist General Convention of California, Fresno, Calif.; In Mid-city, Bennie D. Hindmon Jr., pastor, Second Baptist church, Little Rock, Ark.; In Mini-V.B.S., John W. Perkins Jr., Sunday School director, Church Development Department, Illinois Baptist State Association, Springfield, Ill.; In Home Missions, Bob Tremaine, Division of Home Missions, Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Worcester, Mass.
- 10:45 Dialogue in Cluster Groups—Convenors: (Group 1) Reginald McDonough, supervisor, church administrative services section, Church Administration Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; (Group 2) Bob V. Hines, minister of education, South Main Baptist church, Houston, Tex.; (Group 3) Prentess Ferrell, pastor, Wyatt Park Baptist church, St. Joseph, Mo.; (Group 4) Richard Kay, director, Church Services Division, Southern Baptist General Convention of California, Fresno, Calif.

- 11:10 Personal Reflections on Sharing the Word—Mrs. Cecil Wood, First Southern Baptist church, Phoenix, Ariz.
- 11:30 Benediction—Bob Flegal, division director and Sunday School director, Sunday School Department, Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania-South Jersey, Harrisburg, Penn.

### Monday Afternoon

- 1:30 Sharing in Worship—Charles A. Tidwell, Fort Worth, Tex.; Roy Lee Williams, Houston, Tex.
- 1:50 Our Relationship to Others—J. Lyn Elder, Mill Valley, Calif.
- 2:05 Sharing Helps—Robert A. Dowdy, Broadman catalog house specialist, Broadman Press, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
- 2:20 Simultaneous Conferences: (Conferences to be repeated at 3:35 p.m.)
  1. Youth Involvement—Franklin D. Farmer, convener, supervisor, youth section, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; Helen May, youth consultant, Teaching-Training Division, Louisiana Baptist Convention, Alexandria, La.; Curt Estel, minister of music and education, Immanuel Baptist church, Antioch, Calif.
  2. Personal Ministries—Bernard M. Spooner, convener, minister of education, Travis Avenue Baptist church, Fort Worth, Tex.; Larry L. Lewis, religious education, director, Sunday School Department, Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania-South Jersey, Harrisburg, Penn.; Bill C. Bryan, minister of education, Roswell Street Baptist church, Marietta, Ga.
  3. Innovations in Church Schedules—Charles M. Lowry, convener, director, Teaching-Training Division, Louisiana Baptist Convention, Alexandria, La.; Anna Marie Feltner, director of kindergarten, First Baptist church, Decatur, Ga.; Pat N. Vickery, minister of education, Tallowood Baptist church, Houston, Tex.
  4. Implementing Curriculum—Robert A. Stiver, convener, minister of music, Richland Baptist church, Richland, Wash.; A. V. Washburn, secretary, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; Philip B. Harris, secretary, Church Training Department, BSSB, Nashville, Tenn.; LeRoy McClard, supervisor, youth, adult, administrative section, Church Music Department, BSSB, Nashville, Tenn.; Mary Hines, director, Field Services Department, Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, Ala.; Norman Godfrey, assistant to the executive secretary, Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, Tenn.
  5. Open Space Teaching and Team Teaching—Jack H. Naish, convener; minister of education, Central Baptist church, Miami, Fla.; Gell Davis, elementary education instructor, Golden Gate Baptist Theological seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.; Elsie Rives, consultant, children's section, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
  6. Programmed Instruction and Gaming—Johnnie C. Godwin, convener, editor, youth materials, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Gerald M. Williamson, First Baptist church, Corsicana, Tex.; Mrs. Jimmie Winter, First Baptist church, Houston, Tex.
  7. Enlisting and Training Leaders—Robert S. Cook, convener, director, Church Training Department, Florida Baptist Convention, Jacksonville, Fla.; Russel Noel, associate pastor, First Baptist church, Tulsa, Okla.; Gerald B. Dunlap, minister of education, First Baptist church, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
- 3:20 Break
- 3:35 Simultaneous Conferences (Repeat of 2:20 p.m. sessions)
- 4:35 Adjourn

### Monday Evening

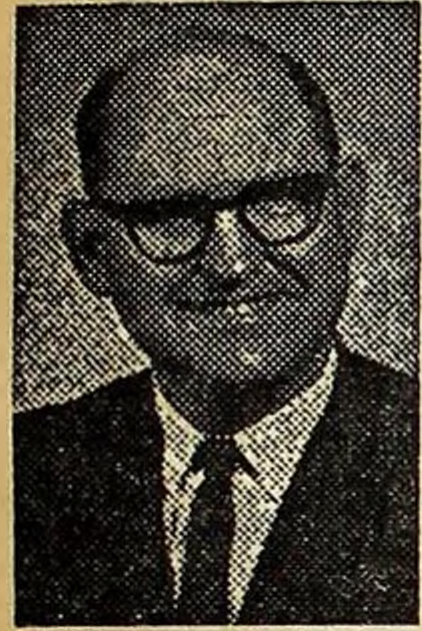
- 7:00 Sharing in Worship—Charles A. Tidwell, Fort Worth, Tex.; Roy Lee Williams, Houston, Tex.
- 7:20 National Conclave—William E. Young, supervisor, children's section, Church Training Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
- 7:35 Business Session  
Committee Reports  
Recognition of Past Presidents  
Presentation of New Officers
- 8:00 Mini-Concert
- 8:30 Share the Word Now—Peter McLeod, pastor, First Baptist church, Waco, Tex.
- 9:00 Benediction—Luke E. Williams Jr., minister of education, First Baptist church, San Antonio, Tex.

# GOD IS SUPREME

By Orvind M. Dangeau, Pastor, First Baptist Church, McKenzie

Scripture: Exodus 20:3-6; Matthew 6:24-34; James 4:7-8

Key Scripture: Exodus 20:3-5a; Matthew 6:24-33



Dangeau

God is supreme, and it makes no difference how many deny him nor how many have tried to replace him. It makes no difference that a vast number of people around the earth deny the very existence of God, He still is supreme, and if man is to experience a full and meaningful life in this world he must be in subjection to God. God must have priority in our life, which means the abandonment of lesser "gods" . . . which might be the state, physical comfort, power, money, popularity, or numerous other "things" which home have put first in their lives.

## Our God Exclusively Ex. 20:3-5a

This commandment requires complete allegiance to Jehovah. We must take him to be our God exclusively. We must firmly and forever establish in our minds and hearts that there is no God beside Him; there is no god with Him; there is no god above Him, there is no god under Him. In this matter of having no other but Jehovah, we must be careful of two errors.

One is the error of entirely disowning Him and exclusively worshiping some false god or gods. In that case the real object of worship is Satan.

Now, pause a moment and study Martin Luther's definition of what a "god" is. "A man's god is to be found in that to which he gives his final obedience and from which he expects the highest help."

The other error consists of mingling the worship of the true God and of false gods. So, we read of some who "feared the Lord and yet served their own gods after the manner of the nations whom they had carried away" (2 Kings 17:33). The great sin of such corrupt mixtures in worship arises from two things. One is that God everywhere forbids it. Second, all such worship goes on the supposition that God is no better, or little better, than other objects to which we thus pay homage. Let every man beware lest in the day of prosperity he sacrifice unto his own net, and burn incense to his own dregs.

Temptation to worship false gods comes in subtle forms; therefore, a sentimental tolerance can often keep one from finding the Christian way. We must ever be mindful that the greatest rival for man's allegiance to God is man himself and his own desires. We must be entirely certain that Je-

hovah is exclusively our God.

## Our God Is Sufficient Matt. 6:24-33

One of the greatest enemies to our supreme devotion to God, and dedicated service in his church and kingdom, is anxious worry about food and clothing. If we do not recognize that life is more than material things we can never be effective in his service. Confidence in God's providential care must be absolute and whole-hearted, or else we can never have our interest centered on the best things of life.

Happiness . . . real deep heart and soul happiness . . . can only come when we place both our present and future in God's hand. Jesus certainly is not saying that his followers are not to be concerned for future security in material things; he is not implying we are not to lay up for a rainy day; He is not even saying we are not to make material plans for retirement in later years; but he is saying that we must not allow the concern for future security to destroy our present happiness.

Now, if we permit concern for the future to become the most important thing in our life, then that concern is our master, and becomes our god. Jesus said that we cannot serve two masters . . . "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." He is stating that one cannot have sight and insight when he has one eye fixed on the world and the other on heaven. The slave of mammon may pretend to serve God but will surely "line up with mammon, and despise God."

Several illustrations are given to show that God cares for his own. Consider the birds, the lilies and even our own physical stature. All these things are in God's hands. If God cares for the birds, the flowers, and the grass so magnificently, how much more will he care for us, seeing that we are so much more to him than all these things. We must realize that God knows all our needs, even better than we know them ourselves.

The entire matter is summed up in verse thirty-three: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

Yes, our God is sufficient in every need that ever exists in the life of his children. We know this because he is supreme. To believe he is supreme is to believe he is sufficient. This was what God was relaying to his people through Moses, and this is what Jesus said, in this portion of scripture; and this is what we must readily believe today if we are to be happy in living, and effective in service, for our God.

## Foundation

### She Was Worried

By Jonas L. Stewart  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

She reported, "My family has never cared for me. None of them go to church. They live selfishly and seem not to realize that they are responsible to God. Unless I do something they will get all of my assets when I die and the Lord won't get any of it."

This lady had worried about this for years. She didn't know what to do. Having read an article in this column she wrote our office. The correspondence resulted in a personal conference and finally the preparation of a Christian will by her attorney. At her request we talked with the attorney and explained our programs and purpose.

She wanted a relative to have first choice to buy her farm. She wisely designated that he pay for it rather than receive it for nothing. The proceeds from the sale will be placed in trust with the Tennessee Baptist Foundation as trustee. The income from the fund will be paid to one of our colleges for all time to come, "to help young people get a Christian education."

In the presence of this writer and her attorney she said, "I'm glad to get that worry over. Now I can know that for which my late husband and I worked and sacrificed will be safe until Jesus comes."

What about your estate? Where will it be 100 years from now? Write for information on preparing a Christian will to: Tennessee Baptist Foundation, Dr. Jonas L. Stewart, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 647, Brentwood, Tennessee 37027.

### Ministers' Wives To Hear Seminary Theology Dean

**PORTLAND**—The 18th annual Conference of Ministers' Wives, meeting during the Southern Baptist Convention here on Tuesday, June 12, will hear an address by the dean of the School of Theology for Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, William E. Hull of Louisville.

The Ministers' Wives will meet at the Cosmopolitan Motor Hotel at Lloyd Center, only a few blocks from the Memorial Coliseum where the SBC sessions are slated. The luncheon is scheduled at 12:45 on Tuesday, June 12.

Presiding will be Mrs. Claud Bowen of Greensboro, N.C., whose husband is pastor of First Baptist Church, Greensboro.

Mrs. Bowen said tickets for the luncheon could be purchased in advance at the coliseum on Monday and Tuesday, June 11-12, or could be ordered in advance from Mrs. Gilbert Skaar, vice president of the organization, at P.O. Box 787, Shelton, Wash. 98584. (BP)

# Tennessee News Briefs

Pleasant View Mission, Nashville Association, met for organization purposes on Sunday, May 20. **Dorris Thomason**, pastor of First church, Joelton, sponsor of the mission, did the preaching. **Clarence Jackson**, Joelton church, led the singing. The first full-time services were held Sunday, May 27, with **Harold D. Gregory**, superintendent of missions, Nashville Association, preaching.

**John C. Evans**, Lebanon, was awarded a diploma in theology by Baptist Bible institute in Graceville, Fla., in exercises there June 1. He is pastor of New Home church in Geneva, Ala.

In Dyer Association, Woodville church will ordain **A. W. Howard**, **Robert Butts**, and **Jerry Summers** as deacons, Sunday, June 10. **Guy Merryman** is pastor.

**James R. Wilson**, pastor of Talbott church, Jefferson County Association, reported that the church had a record-breaking crowd of 352 in Sunday School on May 20. A goal of 310 had been set for the conclusion of the spring Sunday School attendance drive.

In Concord Association, First church, Murfreesboro, voted to purchase a new site for relocation of Calvary chapel. **Eugene Cotey** is pastor. Third church, Murfreesboro, broke ground recently for a new activities building. **Charles McKnight** is pastor.

**James Hopkins**, pastor of Inglewood church in Nashville, celebrated his 10th anniversary as pastor of the church on Sunday, June 3. A reception was held for the pastor and his family following the evening worship hour. **Hopkins** has served in positions of leadership in the Southern Baptist Convention, Tennessee Baptist Convention, and Nashville Baptist Pastors' Conference.

Kellys Creek church, William Carey Association, is scheduled to ordain three deacons on Sunday, June 10. They are **Billy Oneal**, **Jack Mullins**, and **James Shannon**.

Special homecoming services were held Sunday, May 27, at Walnut Hill church in Bells. **Wayne Webb** is pastor.

**Mrs. Bessie Cole**, dietician and manager of the Ashe Cafeteria at Harrison-Chilhowee Baptist academy, Seymour, was honored at a surprise luncheon recently with the presentation of a plaque for her eight years of service. The Student Government Association initiated the plan for the ceremony, and the student body as a whole contributed toward the purchase of the plaque. **Don Rayford**, president of the group, made the presentation.

**Mr. and Mrs. Ross Holman**, members of first church, Nashville, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 3.

Wilhite church, Stone Association, purchased five acres of land for future building.

**Dr. Milton Giles Fort** and his wife, **Dr. Wana Ann Fort**, medical missionaries in Rhodesia since 1953 will be at New Hope Baptist church, Hermitage, Wednesday evening, June 13, at 7:30 p.m. **Dr. Fort's** mother, the former **Alma Dorris**, and his grandfather, **Dr. Robert H. Dorris**, were members of the church. They will be introduced by **Guard Green**, a former pastor and long-time friend of the **Dorris** family. A reception will be held following the service. **Gary Baker** is pastor.

**Archie King**, Dyersburg, has been ordained by the West Broadway church, Mayfield, Ky., and will serve as pastor of the Jewett, Ill., Baptist chapel. Three deacons and one pastor from Tennessee took part in the ordination service, and the council was led by **James Hooper**, deacon from Ro- Ellen church in West Tennessee. **King** is a graduate of the Mid-Continent Baptist Bible college, Mayfield, Ky.

## LEADERSHIP CHANGES

**Alan Dunn** was ordained as the new pastor of the Western Valley church in Covington last month.



Kurtz

**Ron Kurtz**, director of music and youth for the Hillcrest church, McAlester, Okla., has accepted the call of the Green Hill church in Mt. Juliet to serve as minister of music and youth. He has been attending the Oklahoma Baptist university and will attend Belmont college to complete his college degree. **John W. Kurtz** is pastor of the Green Hill church.

Avondale church, Chattanooga, called **Dan Forbes** as minister of outreach. He is attending Tennessee Temple school and plans to graduate in 1974. In his new field of service, he will direct the bus ministry, the outreach program, and the children's worship services. **James H. Walker** is pastor.

In McNairy Association, new pastors include: **Jerry Howell** at New Hope church, Pocahontas; **David Westbrook**, Goodhope church, Adamsville; **Allan Son**, Falcon church, Selmer; and **Billy Cheshier**, Chapel Hill church, Pocahontas. In the same association, **Ralph Thomas** resigned from First church, Adamsville, and is moving to Chevy Chase church in Lexington, Ky. **J. A. Blunt** accepted the call as pastor of Chewalla church. He served formerly as pastor in Corinth, Miss.

## Religion Around The World

**RICHMOND**—**Baker J. Cauthen**, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, was awarded an honorary doctor of divinity degree by the University of Richmond during recent ceremonies. **E. Bruce Heilman**, university president, made the presentation. **Cauthen** has served the Southern Baptist denomination as pastor, seminary professor, missionary, and agency executive.

**DALLAS**—**Ben E. Loring Jr.**, a graduate student at Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, has joined the staff of the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission as associate secretary and director of research and organization. He succeeds **Charles V. Petty**, who resigned last March to become executive secretary of the Council of Christian Life and Public Affairs for North Carolina Baptists.

**MIDDLESEX, Eng.**—**C. Ronald Goulding**, secretary-treasurer of the European Baptist Federation and associate secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, underwent surgery in a Middlesex hospital last month and is reported improving following the operation.

**Martha Laster**, a freshman at Union university, was called as youth director at the Oak Grove church in Covington.

In Gibson Association, **Rainey Edwards** resigned as pastor of Center church; and **Mike Harton**, minister of youth and education at First church, Milan, has accepted a similar call to a church in Independence, Mo. **Harold Eddleman**, a member at New Hope church, has been called as pastor of Cairo church near Alamo. **James L. Spain** is the new pastor at Northern chapel.

Three new pastors in Chilhowee Association include **Bill Dixon** at Mount Carmel church, **Joseph A. Shamblin** at Mount Zion church, and **Beecher Whitehead** at Central Point church. **J. T. Cline** resigned from the Grandview church to accept a call from Berea church in Hickory, N.C. He served Grandview church for six years.

**Robert D. McCray**, pastor of First church of Dandridge, announced recently that **Earl Stroup** had accepted the call of that church to become minister of music and youth. A graduate of Carson-Newman college, **Stroup** has been teaching English in high school.

In Dyer Association, **David Chappell** resigned as pastor of Hawthorne church. Hillcrest church called **Joe Trybone** as pastor.

**Harry Nichols**, pastor of Rocky Valley church, Wilson County Association, retired recently.

**Charles Works**, pastor of South Harriman church, Big Emory Association, has resigned. He has served there for the past 15 years, coming from the Middle Valley church in Hixson.

# Baptists Warned Of A 'Lack' Of Faith And Understanding

**MILL VALLEY, Calif.**—A former president of the Southern Baptist Convention said here that "lack of faith and understanding of one another" is the most crucial problem facing Southern Baptists today.

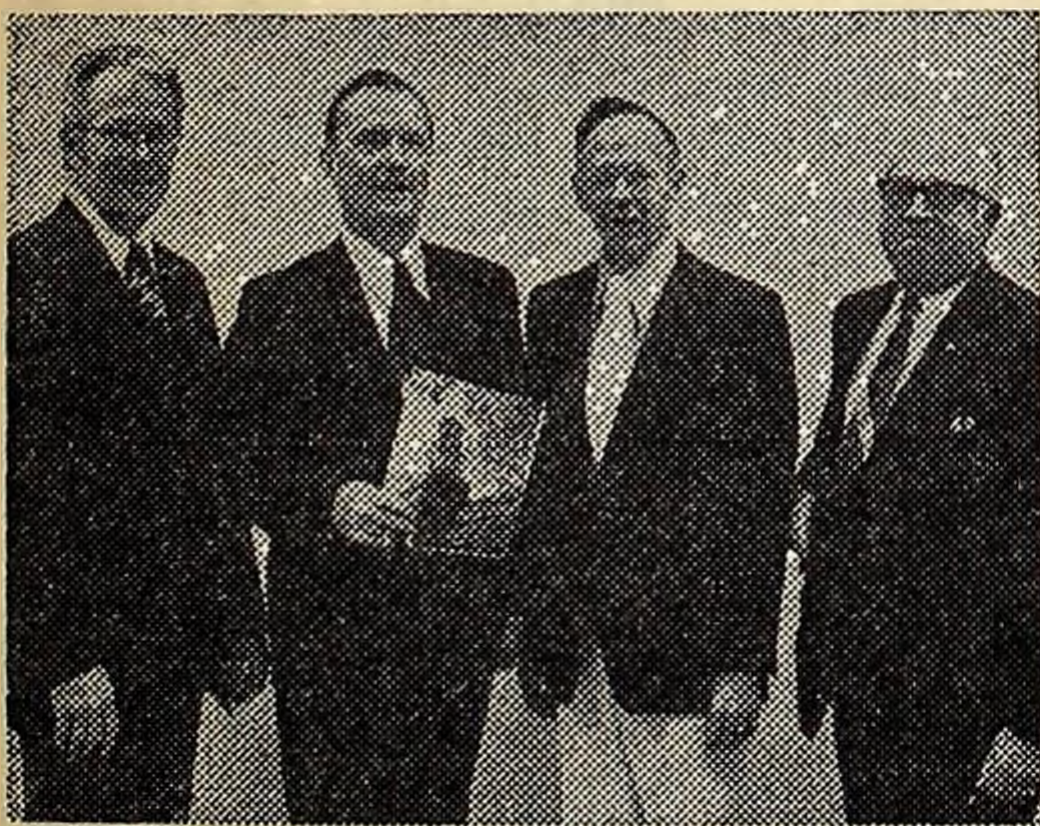
Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, who was head of the nation's largest Protestant denomination when a committee he chaired drafted a new Statement of Faith in 1963, said that that document is "not a creed, but a statement."

He addressed students and faculty at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary here, where he serves, as visiting professor of preaching. Dr. Hobbs recalled that the committee he chaired was appointed across the bay 11 years ago when the SBC met in San Francisco.

In 1963, he said, the committee "was able to make a general statement which would apply to the vast majority of grass-roots members."

The clergyman, who recently retired as pastor of First Baptist church in Oklahoma City, pointed out that the preamble of that document "carefully protects the right of the individual conscience." At the same time, he said that some Baptists would prefer to make a creed of the statement by "focusing on the body of the statement and ignoring the preamble."

Dr. Hobbs described the 1963 statement as a revision of the denomination's 1925 statement on the Baptist Faith and Message. If that 1925 statement ever needs changing, he said, "it should be done in order, and not on the spur of the moment. If the document is to be amended, it should be amended by committee as it was in 1963."



The Board of Trustees for the Southern Baptist Theological seminary held its annual meeting on the Louisville campus recently. Tennessee members meeting with President Duke K. McCall (second from left) included: Carroll Owen, (left), pastor of First church, Paris; Winfield Rich, minister of education at Temple church, Memphis; and William B. Cockroft, president and chairman of the board, United Inns Inc., Memphis.

It should never be changed on a motion from the convention floor."

Convention votes have reaffirmed the 1925 statement three times, Dr. Hobbs pointed out.

The 1963 document said that confessions of faith are a consensus by a group, are not complete, should be periodically revised to meet changing conditions, and are guides in interpretation without authority over the conscience.

Discussing the theological tone of the Southern Baptist Convention, the former president commented, "I think 90 per cent of all Southern Baptists are right down the middle theologically, with 5 per cent on either side." He quoted an Oklahoma newsmen as having said once, "A liberal Southern Baptist is a conservative Protestant."

Today, Dr. Hobbs maintained, the problem facing the denomination is not one of conservative versus liberal, but is one of "combining people from all sections of the country with varying ideas." (RNS)

## REVIVAL RESULTS

**A. B. Griffin**, pastor of Belmont Heights church, Knoxville, reports 10 professions of faith and several rededications following revival services. **Henry Linginfelter**, Alcoa, was the evangelist and **V. Gilbert Bailey**, McCalla Avenue church, led the singing.

Revival services at Middlebrook Pike church, Knoxville, concluded May 20 with 25 professions of faith, 31 rededications, 11 additions by baptism, and one addition by letter. **John Humphrey** served as evangelist and **Paul Griz** was the singer. **Edward W. Smith** is pastor.

Evangelist **Tommy Sesler** led in revival services at Shelby Avenue church, Nashville. There were 23 professions of faith, one addition by letter, and 18 rededications. **Allen Buhler** is pastor.

**Edwin Alexander**, pastor, First church, Rutherford, preached in revival at First church, Rockwood. **Jerry Rankin**, minister of music, Grace church, Nashville, led the music. **Robert W. Campbell**, pastor, reported six for baptism, seven by letter, and numerous rededications.

Churches in Bradley Association holding revivals included: Stuart Park, **Don Johnson**, evangelist, **Ernest Condee**, pastor; Macedonia, **W. L. Harbin**, pastor; Philippi church, **Bruce Robinson**, evangelist, **Pete Gentry**, pastor; Candies Creek church, **Reed Wright**, pastor; Parkway church, **Don Johnson**, evangelist; Cloverleaf church, **W. L. Shipman**, evangelist, **Wayne Cooper**, pastor; and Valley View church, **M. L. Arbuckle**, pastor.

## MISSIONARY NEWS

Missionaries Dr. and Mrs. John D. Freeman completed furlough in the States and returned to Thailand last week. They may be reached at Baptist Hospital, Box 1, Bangkla, Chacheungsao, Thailand. He is a native of Texas, and she is the former Nancy Davis of Nashville and Gallatin. When they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1969, he was completing a surgical residency at Baylor university Medical Center in Dallas.

In McMinn Association, Brookhill church reports one profession of faith, nine rededications, and one addition by letter during its revival. **W. A. Callihan**, pastor of the Mountain Springs church, Polk County, was the evangelist. **F. H. Patterson** is pastor. In the same association, First church, Englewood, had a youth-led, week-end revival. **Bob Strunk** was the evangelist and **David Waldrop** was the singer. Both are students at Carson-Newman college. **Fred J. Wohlwend** is pastor. There were 45 decisions at North Etowah church when **Van Capps** preached in revival services. Of the decisions, 25 were for baptism. **Allen Bates** is pastor.

Churches in Dyer Association holding revivals included: Curve church, evangelist **Charles Ritchie**; First church, Dyersburg, evangelist **Robert L. Orr**; Finley church, evangelist **Jim Wooten**; Fowlkes church, evangelist **Joe Trybone**; Fort Hudson church, evangelist **Ricky Smith**; Lenox church, evangelist **Jerry Powell**; Mary's chapel, evangelist, **Harry Wilburn**; First church, Newbern, evangelist **Calvin Harvell**; Parrish chapel, evangelist **Roger Mullins**; RoEllen church, evangelist **Mark Howard**; Southside church, evangelist **C. B. Pierce**; Springhill church, evangelist **James Daniels**; First church, Trimble, evangelist **Courtney Wilson**; and Zion Hill church, evangelist **Robert Prince**.

First church, Union City, had 12 for baptism, one by letter and several rededications during a revival with **David Walker**. **Richard Root** led the music. Second church, Union City, reports a revival also. **Bob Brown**, Trenton, did the preaching, and **Larry Flanagan** was music director. Calvary church, Union City, was led in revival by **Robert Orr** and **Richard Ams**. They reported 17 for baptism, one by letter, and numerous rededications.

In New Duck River Association, Shelbyville Mills church reported over 40 professions of faith. **Bob Mowrey**, pastor of Park Avenue church, Nashville, was the evangelist. **Shelton Smith** is pastor. Edgemont church held revival services with **Joe McGehee**, pastor of First church, Lewisburg, as evangelist. **David Whaley** led the singing. **Carvis Tutor** is pastor.

Westside church, Gibson County, reported 18 professions of faith in its revival. **James Tate** was the evangelist.

## SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH MUSIC CONFERENCE

Sheraton Motor Inn, Portland, Ore.

June 15-16, 1973

### Friday Morning, June 15

- 9:00 Call to Order and Presentation of the Program—Carl Perry, president, Southern Baptist Church Music Conference and minister of music, First Baptist church, Knoxville, Tenn.  
Hymn: "God of Grace and God of Glory"
- 9:05 Welcome to Portland!—Sam Fort, state music secretary, Northwest Baptist Convention, Portland, Ore.
- 9:10 Interlude—Miss Carol McClure, harpist, Louisville, Ky.
- 9:25 Concert by Ministry '73, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Chorale, directed by Phillip Landgrave, professor, Southern seminary, Louisville, Ky.  
Cantata—"The Gospel According to Christmas," by Phillip Landgrave. The cantata includes the 1973 Church Music Conference commissioned anthem, "He Came, He Comes," by Phillip Landgrave.
- 9:55 The Nashville Sound—Loren R. Williams, music sales specialist, Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn.
- 10:05 Message: "A Singing Religion"—Charles A. Trentham, pastor, First Baptist church, Knoxville, Tenn.
- 10:30 Exhibit break
- 10:50 Honorary Membership Presentation to Mrs. B. B. McKinney, Nashville, Tenn.
- 11:00 Master Class with Jean Berger, professor, University of Arizona, Tucson, presenting his new choral drama, "Yiphtah and His Daughter"

### Friday Afternoon

- 1:15 Hymn "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him"
- 1:20 Concert—The Youth Choir, First Baptist church, Abilene, Tex., directed by Tom Mosley
- 1:50 Piano Concert—Max Lyall, professor, Belmont college, Nashville, Tenn.
- 2:15 Round Robin Conferences (five conferences running simultaneously, beginning at 2:15 and repeated at 3:10 to enable participants to choose two conferences)  
—"Youth Choirs on Tour," led by Steve Hilson, Stitt Coombs Evans Talent Agency, Los Angeles, Calif.  
—"Sound Systems—Display and Demonstration," led by Bruce Braun, Technician, National Broadcasting Co. (NBC-TV), Los Angeles, Calif.  
—"How To Get Your Anthem Published," led by Don Hinshaw, publisher's representative, Carl Fisher, Inc., New York City.  
—"Building Spirituality in Group Singing," led by Sonny Salisbury, composer for Word, Inc., and minister of music in Yakima, Wash.

- "Choreography, Staging," led by Alex Plasschaert, choreographer, North Ridge, Calif.
- 3:10 Repeat five Round Robin Conferences listed above.
- 4:00 Departmental Conferences  
—Local Church Division  
—Education Division  
—Denominational Division  
—Instrumentalists  
—Conference Wives' Fellowship

### Friday Evening

- 6:00 Southern Baptist Church Music Conference Banquet, West Ballroom, (tickets must be purchased in advance, prior to June 1, \$5.50 each) Entertainment: The Spring Street Singers, directed by Buryl Red

### Friday Night

- Session at First Baptist church, 909 Southwest 11th, Portland
- 7:45 Organ Prelude—Mrs. Kathleen Skipton Stewart, First Baptist church, Portland, Ore.
- 8:00 Worship Service—William J. Reynolds, secretary, Church Music Department, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.  
Soloist: Randall Veazey, tenor, evangelistic singer and voice teacher, Foley, Ala.
- 8:30 Concert by Miss Mary Costa, star of the motion picture, "The Great Waltz," and former soloist, Metropolitan Opera  
Assompanied by Max Lyall, Belmont college, Nashville, Tenn.

### Saturday Morning, June 16

- 9:00 Hymn, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
- 9:05 Conference Business Session  
Registration Committee Report  
Membership Committee Report  
Resolutions Committee Report  
Secretary-Treasurer Report  
New Business  
Introduction of New President and Council Members
- 9:30 Concert, "The Trouveres," California Baptist college, Riverside, Calif., directed by Curtis Cheek
- 10:00 Exhibit break
- 10:20 "The Trends of Performance in the New Music"—Kurt Kaiser, Word, Inc., Waco, Tex.
- 10:40 "The Trends in Church Music Today"—Ralph Carmichael, composer, conductor, arranger
- 11:00 Premiere performance of new youth musical, "God Is Here—I'm Here—Now We Can Start," by Ralph Carmichael and Kurt Kaiser  
Performed by the choir of First Nazarene Church, Portland, Ore.
- 12:00 Adjourn

## NEW BOOKS

**Tried by Fire, the Message of I Peter** by William C. Brownson, Baker, 103 pp., paper, \$1.95.

**Today Is Yours** edited by Sallie Chesham, Word, 104 pp., \$3.50. The 77 contributors prove that no facet of life, including death, is divorced from God's love and care.

**Come to the Party** by Karl Olsoson, Word, 178 pp., \$4.95. A book about hope, it is the story of an elder brother who, after years of work in the fields, finally came to the party. It is the story of a church, freed from guilt and dread, which discovers the day-to-day meaning of forgiveness and joy.

## Speakers Announced For Preachers' School

Jesse Northcutt, vice-president for academic affairs at Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, will be one of four major speakers at the annual West Tennessee Summer Preachers' School to be held July 9-13 at Union university in Jackson.

R. E. Glaze Jr., professor of New Testament Greek at New Orleans Baptist Theological seminary; and Dr. and Mrs. S. R. Woodson, will complete the faculty. Woodson, retired pastor at First church, Columbia, Miss., is a former pastor of the First Baptist church of Humboldt.

Lewis Sewell, dean of religious affairs at Union, said that the school would feature studies in preaching, pastoral work and the New Testament.

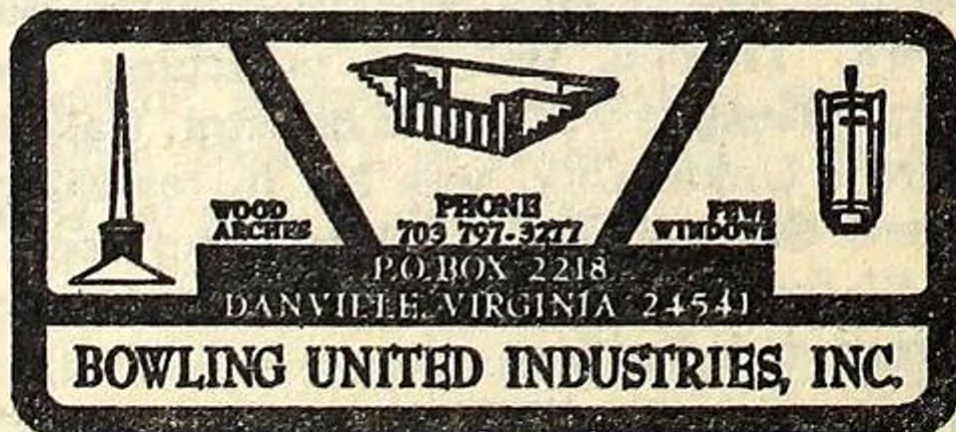
Northcutt will lead the homiletical study, and Glaze will direct the sessions exegeting the book of Colossians. Woodson will guide pastors in practical aspects of their work, and his wife will involve the wives of the ministers in special programs related to their roles as pastors' wives.

## Bible Institute Trains Angola Baptist Pastors

**LUANDA, Angola**—Ten students have entered a five-year theological training program at the Angolan Baptist Bible Institute, begun here recently by Southern Baptist missionaries. Because Angolan pastors, as a rule, must support themselves by some means other than their ministry, the curriculum is set up for 11 months of home study and a month's classwork annually.

Missionary Harrison Pike, who directs the Institute, says: "While we do not have the best facilities, we do have enthusiasm. Our biggest problem is absence of books, but majoring on the Bible we all have the basic textbook."

Portuguese language study is an important part of the curriculum, and will be offered all five years. Angola is a province of Portugal.



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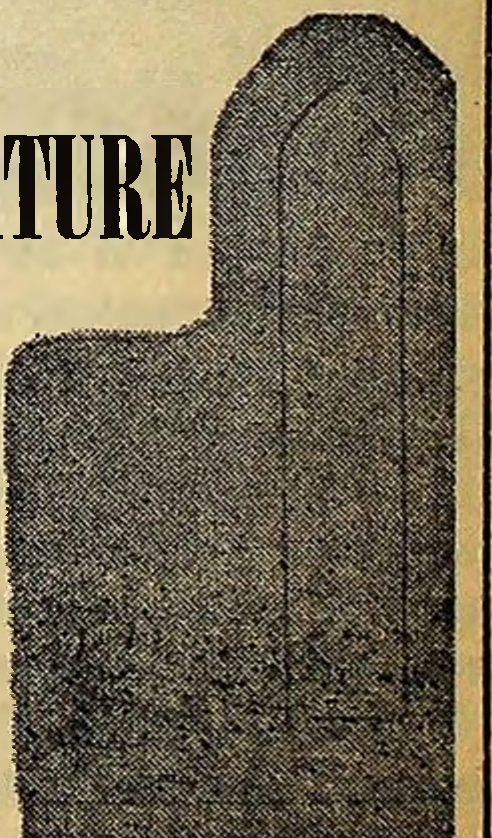
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# The Gospel According To A New York Cabbie

"Someone left this Gospel of John on your back seat," I said, calling the driver's attention to the little paperback, which had a pamphlet tucked inside it.

"I put it there," he answered.

"I want you to know how much I appreciate finding it," I told him. "I'm a Christian and it means something to me."

"I'm a Christian too," the driver commented. "I've driven a taxi in New York City for 20 years. This is how I witness."

The driver proceeded to tell me how the Gospel of John, which bore the emblem of the American Bible Society, and the tract, telling how to find Christ as Saviour, always evoked conversation. "Some of my women fares," he said, "you can tell are having some problem. They ask me to pray for them."

Not every rider reacts favorably. Once a colorful trial lawyer, grabbing national headlines for defending a group of demonstrators, boarded his cab.

When the famous attorney saw the Gospel

and tract, he demanded with disgust, "What's this? Who put this here?"

"The Spirit gave me the boldness to reply, 'I put it there,' " the driver recalled.

"Well, I'll have nothing to do with it," the passenger shot back. "I've always managed for myself and I always will."

"There'll come a time, no matter how famous a lawyer you are, when you won't be able to take care of yourself," I told him.

"When you stand before the judgement bar of God without Jesus as your Saviour."

"Oh, don't give me any of that," the attorney retorted. When this distinguished passenger got out, he counted his fare carefully to the exact penny. "He didn't even give me a dime tip. But I gave him something. I gave him the Word.

"It's not my job to make Christians of them. It's only my job to witness to them, to sow the seed," he observed.

The driver said over the years he'd given out 25,000 copies of the Gospel of John and more than 40,000 tracts on how to be saved.

I started to get out as soon as we reached my destination. The driver stopped me. "Do you have time for us to pray together?" He clasped my hand and on Wall Street involved me in a powerful moment of intercession.

After I'd left the taxi, I thought of the verse commanding us to be "witnesses in Jerusalem." Here was this taxi driver, in what I consider one of the most difficult locations to have an impact for Christ, witnessing effectively in a way that only a taxi driver could.—Darold H. Morgan, president of the Annuity Board, SBC, Dallas, Texas.

## 'Prayer Law' Opposed By Baptist Leader

WASHINGTON, D.C.—James E. Wood, Jr., executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, has charged that a proposed "prayer law" would, if enacted by Congress, be "unnecessary and dangerous to the concept of a free society."

He spoke in response to a proposal made at a recent two-day meeting of Leadership Foundation, Inc., an agency composed of several national women's organizations and individuals, which asked the Congress to enact a law that would read as follows:

"Be it enacted that the Supreme Court of the United States shall not have jurisdiction to enter any judgment, degree or order, denying or retraining, as unconstitutional, voluntary prayer in any public school."

This proposal, Mr. Wood declared, "must be viewed as an abridgement of the First Amendment and in no way an aid to real, meaningful prayer."

Sponsors of the suggested bill have said that it could pass with a simple majority vote, rather than the two-thirds required for a Constitutional amendment, and that it would permit schools to institute prayer "by September of this year."

In his statement, Mr. Wood said it is "lamentable" that a decade after the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling on public school prayer, "so many Americans still have failed to understand the limits or the reasoning of the Court's decision." He declared that "the Court clearly did not rule out religion from the curriculum of the public schools, but, in effect, affirmed that the public school is not a place for worship, but for learning." (RNS)

### Bible Nuggets

## A Vision Of God: Cleansing From Sin

By T. B. Maston

Professor of Christian Ethics, Retired Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

"Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged" (Isa. 6:7, KJV).

Isaiah's experience teaches us that a vision of God not only brings a consciousness of sin but also a cleansing from that sin. How grateful we ought to be that a consciousness of the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, brings us into contact with a source of cleansing from our sins. There can be no cleansing, however, without awareness of sin in our lives. The "woe is me" precedes the "lo" of cleansing.

There naturally follows from the cleansing a word from the Lord: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" This experience of Isaiah suggests or implies several things:

(1) The cleansing must come before we are prepared to hear the voice of the Lord.

(2) The purpose of God in the cleansing goes beyond the cleansing itself. So it is with each experience we have with and in the Lord: each is in some way and to some degree preparatory.

(3) Our lips are not ready to proclaim God's message until our lips and our lives have been touched by the fire that comes from his presence.

(4) When our lips have been touched and cleansed by that fire then we are prepared and willing to respond to his call: "Here am I, send me." This means that we are ready to go anywhere he wants to send us. We will be willing to be an instrument of his to proclaim his message and to do his will.

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## Abortion Ruling Hit On Two Fronts In Congress

WASHINGTON—Congressional forces seeking to overturn the abortion decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court moved on two fronts on capitol hill.

The House of Representatives passed overwhelmingly an amendment that would allow tax-supported institutions to prohibit the performance of abortions and sterilizations. A similar measure was approved by the Senate in late March, also with a lopsided vote.

The amendments in both houses were part of an extension for the Public Health Services Act.

On the second front six senators introduced a constitutional amendment to protect "the right to life" at every stage of biological development.

Sen. James L. Buckley (R., N.Y.), chief sponsor of the measure, said the terms of the amendment would specifically establish that "unborn children are persons" within the meaning of the U.S. Constitution.

Under such terms abortions would be

## North American Baptists Suggest Involvement In World Mission

CHICAGO—Members of seven Baptist denominations in North America suggested several areas for church involvement in the World Mission of Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ at a meeting here.

They met to discuss the Baptist World Alliance program at the invitation of Dr. Kenneth L. Chafin of Houston, who is North American regional director of the program. The project's international chairman, Joseph B. Underwood of Richmond, Va., reported that there are now 98 Baptist bodies in 85 countries that are taking part.

In their statement, the Baptist representatives suggested that among the possible activities for church involvement in the program are: "(1) A prayer partnership with churches of other countries and conventions; (2) Mass distribution of Scripture related to the reconciliation theme; (3) Lay evangelism training and practice; and (4) Interracial fellowships and Bible studies." (RNS)

illegal, except as the proposed amendment allows, when the woman's life is in danger.

At a press conference called by Buckley and Sen. Mark O. Hatfield (R., Ore.), a co-sponsor, Buckley said a fetus should be considered a "person" from the moment of conception. The central purpose of the proposal, Buckley said, "is to create . . . (and) restore a constitutionally compelling identity between the biological category 'human being' and the legal category 'person.'" (BP)

## D. C. Convention Editor Resigns After 19 Years

WASHINGTON—James O. Duncan, for the past 19 years editor of the Capital Baptist, weekly publication of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention, has resigned, effective August 31 to enter private business.

Duncan is the immediate past president of the Southern Baptist Press Association.

In his letter of resignation to James A. Langley, executive secretary of the D. C. Convention, Duncan said that he plans for some additional studies during the next several months.

A native of Chapel Hill, N.C., Duncan graduated from American University, Washington, D.C., and from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. Prior to his connection with the D. C. Convention, Duncan was pastor for eight years of the Hillandale Baptist Church in the suburbs of Washington.

In addition to his duties as editor of the "Capital Baptist", Duncan was also director of the department of promotion, stewardship and public relations, and for seven years has been director of the department of evangelism for the convention.

In his wider responsibilities Duncan has served for six years on the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and a trustee of the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C.

Duncan states that he will continue to reside in his Washington suburban home where his wife is engaged in the practice of medicine. (BP)

## Children's Homes

### 'A Bushel And A Peck'

By James M. Gregg  
Executive Director-Treasurer

During my late teen courting days we sang a song which had this phrase: "I love you a bushel and a peck, and a hug around the neck." Children want love from us more than anything else. I love every child in our Homes and I tell them so. They love us and show it.

I thank you for your interest, support and love. I love you, my fellow Tennessee Baptists, "a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck" for the love you are expressing through your Mother's Day Offerings. Through Thursday, May 31, we had received in my office a total of \$37,715.00. This is great. Remember if you could not receive this love offering for our children on Mother's Day, you can do so any day or week during June and July and it can still be counted on this once-a-year offering.

If I can help you in any way, write me at 8601 Franklin Road, P.O. Box 647, Brentwood, Tennessee 37027.

## Baptist Board To Handle Spanish Literature Sales

EL PASO, Tex.—The Baptist Spanish Publishing House here is scheduled to transfer its U.S. retail business to the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board effective Aug. 1.

To facilitate its new responsibilities, the board is establishing a Spanish-English Baptist Book Store here. The store will handle Spanish mail-order business as well as over-the-counter sales.

According to V. L. McGlocklin, manager of Baptist Book Stores, Western Division, Spanish periodical literature will be ordered and billed through the new bookstore.

Since its move from Mexico to El Paso in 1916, the publishing house has served Spanish-speaking Baptists in the U.S. on a retail basis as well as meeting Spanish-language literature needs in other countries. Under the new arrangement, it will limit its transactions to wholesale purchases. (BP)

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# Man's Flight From God

By W. R. White  
Baylor University, Waco, Texas

**Basic Passages:** Genesis 3:1-10; Isaiah 53:4-6; Jeremiah 2:12-13; Hosea 11:1-7; Romans 1:18-32

**Focal Passages:** Isaiah 53:6a; Jeremiah 2:12-13; Hosea 11:1-2, 7; Romans 1:20-21, 24, 28-31

Man in his innocence before his fall seemed to be unafraid and perfectly at home in the very presence of God. However, after his sin and fall he was afraid and sought to hide from God.

Although man often hungers for God and seeks to find Him, his ordinary attitude is one of shrinking at the very thought of God. He frequently resists and rebels against any effort to bring about a confrontation between him and God. He would rather change the subject.

Many people are running to get away from God. They seek every possible diversion that will eliminate God from their consciousness. Some turn to one excitement or indulgence after another. Any serious thought of God makes them uneasy and uncomfortable.

Recently a very talented young man whom we had admired and encouraged in the past came by to see us for the first time in years. Evidently he had been avoiding us. He had strayed away from God and the type of life he knew to be right. He seemed to be so happy to see me again and wanted to be in our presence and we had a most pleasant short visit. It turned out that he had had a marvelous experience with God and had completely reversed his course. Since we had advocated high ideals and godliness to him in the past, he had avoided me for years but now he makes a special effort to see me since things have changed in his life.

## Man Always Strays Isa. 53:6

The distance of man's straying varies but the direction is ever away from God and toward self. He is prone to turn to his own way whether toward unrighteousness or self-righteousness. He is prone to wander. Everyone has gone astray at some time. Man is self-centered and self-willed. This is very evident. He misses the mark, whether slightly or startlingly. To be self-centered is to be off center—the true center—God in Christ.

## Man Selects Wrong Substitutes

Jer. 2:12-13

Man not only rejects or ignores God but he replaces God with his own devices. He forsakes God, the true God, the fountain-of-living God but hews out cisterns of his own, broken cisterns that hold no water. He is not only weak but dumb.

He ignores the righteousness of God in

Christ and goes about to set up his own righteousness. Instead of substituting God and His ways for himself and his ways, he reverses the order. Sometimes man's substitutes sound very idealistic but often it is obviously a sordid substitute.

## Professing Jehovah They Exalted Fake Deities Hos. 7:1-2, 7

Sometimes the people of Israel went completely away from Jehovah. At other times they just made Him another member of their Pantheon. It meant every time a loss of true worship and the glory of Israel. God will not accept a position alongside false deities. Neither will Jesus Christ accept a place in the rank of only a good man.

Too often Israel acclaimed Jehovah as God but worshipped and served strange gods who had no real existence except in human imagination. Too often we profess faith in Christ when passing things are central in our lives.

## The Great Blackout

Paul, through divine inspiration, explains the existence of heathenism while the knowledge of the true God has been lost or terribly obscured. Men knew God but failed to glorify or magnify Him. They ignored the very forceful revelation of Him in nature. They came to a point where they did not care to retain God in their consciousness.

Then ensued a blackout of moral sensibility and character. Vanity or human pride blotted out the knowledge of the true God. They started creating their own gods. They edified objects of nature and fell to a terrible low.

## Southeastern Alumni To Meet In Portland

WAKE FOREST, N.C.—Alumni and friends of Southeastern Baptist Theological seminary will meet Wednesday, June 13, during the Southern Baptist Convention in Portland.

The Alumni Association's annual meeting will be at the Cosmopolitan Motel at 1:15 p.m. in Portland with Aubrey J. Rosser of Monument Heights Baptist church, Richmond, Va., presiding.

Reservations for the luncheon may be made by writing the Alumni Office, Southeastern seminary, Wake Forest, N.C. 27587.

## Arkansas College Names Nicholas New President

WALNUT RIDGE, Ark.—Trustees of Southern Baptist College here have elected D. Jack Nicholas, 40-year-old chairman of the Baptist junior college's department of psychology, as president of the school, effective July 1.

Nicholas, who has also served as executive vice president of Southern Baptist College, will succeed H. E. Williams who is retiring after 32 years as president. Williams is the first and only previous president of the school.

Williams said that Nicholas is "eminently qualified by background, education, experience and Christian commitment to become the second president of the institution."

The president of the school's board of trustees, Padgett C. Cope, praised both Williams and Nicholas for their leadership abilities. "The college has had a glorious past," Cope said. "I predict that it will have an even greater future under the leadership of Dr. Nicholas."

Nicholas has been pastor of Baptist churches in Arkansas, Missouri, Tennessee and Texas, and was professor of psychology at California Baptist College, Riverside, Calif., before coming to the Southern Baptist College faculty. (BP)

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# From the Executive Secretary

By Ralph E. Norton

Next week the Southern Baptist Convention will be meeting in Portland, Oregon, for their annual meeting. Many pastors, staff members and laymen will be traveling great distances to attend this meeting as well as other related meetings which will be taking place also in Portland during this week. We covet your prayers for all of us who will be attending, that we may hear the reports and the challenges and resolve to accept greater responsibilities in an effort to meet all the needs of our great denomination.



Norton

For any of our churches in Tennessee, I would like to state that we have several graduates from our seminaries who have expressed a desire to return to a church in this state, and if you have need of someone to fill a vacancy on your staff, I will be happy to share information which I have concerning these graduates. If you think you would be interested in discussing this with me, please let me hear from you as soon as possible.

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## Family Living

By Dr. B. David Edens,  
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### Offsprings Of Teen Mothers Face Greater Hazards

The younger the mother, the more risk to her baby in almost every area. This is the finding of a comparative study of infants born to mothers 17 years old and younger and those born to mothers 20 years old and older, says Dr. Nesrin Bingol, head of pediatric genetics at N. Y. Medical College.

Among babies of younger mothers, researchers found many with unnaturally small heads at the age of one. There was a higher incidence of birth defects and, iron deficiency anemia and they were also more likely to be battered and abused and to suffer serious accidents.

If they escaped these calamities, they still were prey to illness, with a 69% greater incidence of serious infection during their first year than babies of older mothers.

### Gardner Joins Music Department

NASHVILLE—John F. Gardner III, minister of music for four years at Olivet Baptist church, Oklahoma City, is a new consultant in church music administration for the church music department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Gardner, a native of Little Rock, Ark., holds the bachelor of church music degree from Oklahoma Baptist university, Shawnee, and the master of music education degree from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. (BP)

## Historically:

### From the files

#### 50 YEARS AGO

It was reported that 3000 messengers attended the 1923 Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City. The emphasis was on soul winning and Bible stewardship.

Evangelist H. E. McKinley, alumnus of Carson-Newman college, presented the school with enough song books for all the students for chapel services. He requested that he be allowed the privilege of keeping the college supplied with song books.

#### 20 YEARS AGO

The Tennessee Baptist Convention in its mid-year meeting heard reports that the churches had been outstanding in the number of additions by baptism during the preceding year and that Cooperative Program receipts were at an all-time high. The Missions and Evangelism programs were separated into two departments at this time.

Pine Grove church near Lexington dedicated its new building debt free. The church had been organized only five years. Joe Acuff was pastor.

#### 10 YEARS AGO

Red Bank church, Chattanooga, closed the most productive revival in the history of the church. There were 75 persons baptized under the preaching of Vincent Cervera. Ralph Norton was pastor.

W. Fred Kendall, returning to Nashville from a 30-day trip to the Orient, reported 80 decisions for Christ during revival services he led at the New Life Movement in Okayama, Japan.

### Missionary News

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Foster completed their furlough in the States and were scheduled to arrive last month in the Philippines. Their address is 2444 Taft Ave., Manila, Philippines. He is a native of Jackson, Miss., and she is from Montrose, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. James N. Westmoreland, missionaries to Rhodesia, were scheduled to leave there this week for furlough in the States. They are expected to be in Culleoka, Tenn. June 12-14, and then will travel to Pryor, Okla. He is a native of Culleoka. When they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1960, he was serving as pastor of First church, Dyer.

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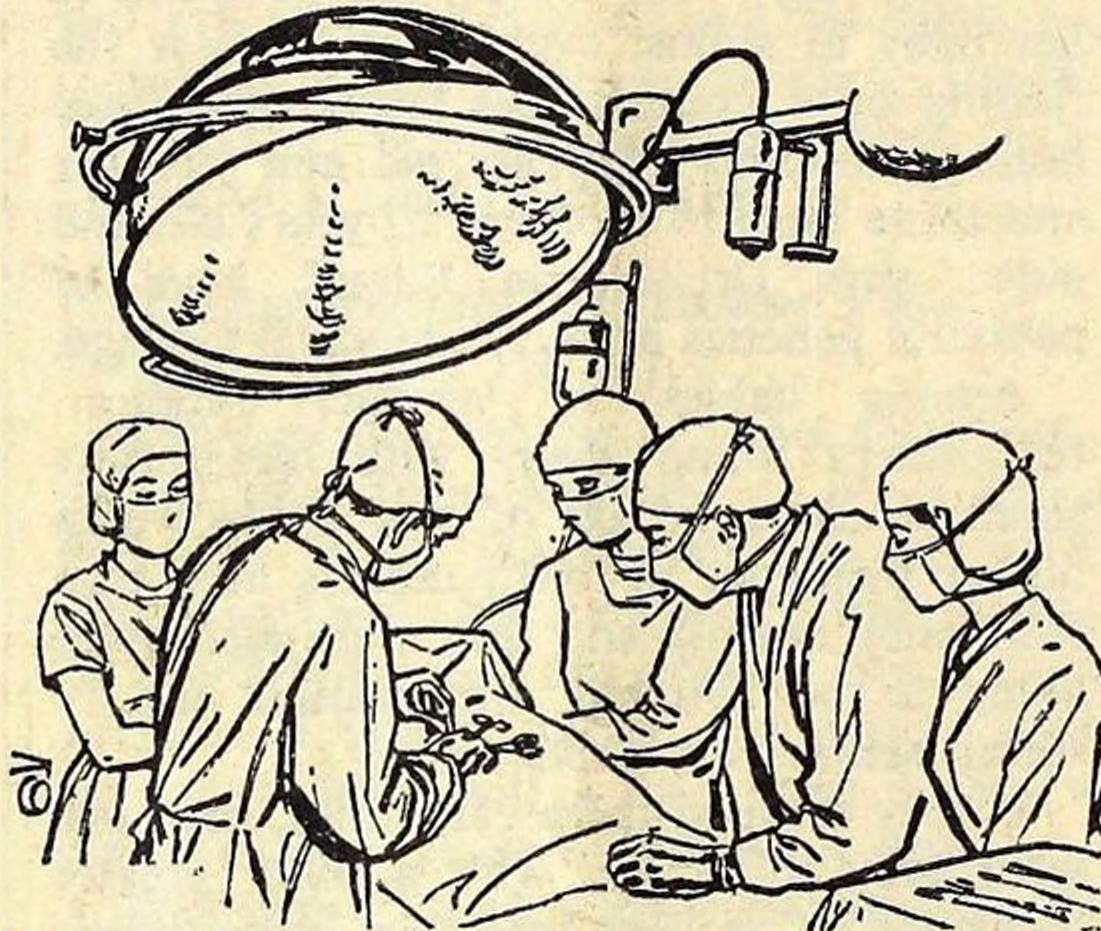
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## Southern Baptists, Catholics Hold Dialogue Conference

BELMONT, N.C.—An ecumenical dialogue conference of Southern Baptists and Roman Catholics was held at Belmont Abbey College here under sponsorship of the college, Catholic bishops of the Atlanta Province and the Ecumenical Institute of Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C.

The three-day program included joint worship, addresses with responses and general discussion and a panel on "A Student View of Ecumenism" by students of Belmont, a Catholic institution, and Wake Forest, a Southern Baptist-related university.

Dr. William Angell, a professor of religion at Wake Forest and director of the Ecumenical Institute, said a highlight of the conference was a concelebrated Mass in the abbey chapel. Though the Southern Baptists did not receive Communion, he said, they joined in other parts of the service and a choir from St. John's Baptist church in Charlotte sang the Mass in Latin.

One of the points of confrontation in the discussion periods, Dr. Angell said, came when some of the Southern Baptists pressed the question of why they could not receive Communion at a Catholic Mass.

"We said that we believe in the real presence, though not in the Aristotelian or Thomistic sense," he said.

At the same time, Dr. Angell said, the Southern Baptists apologized to the Catholics for the fact that they would not be welcomed for Communion in many Southern Baptist churches. Under Baptist polity, each local congregation determines its own policy regarding open or closed Communion. (RNS)

### John Tackett, Retired Pastor, Of Fraterville, Dies At 82

John Tackett, 82, retired Baptist pastor, died last month in Lake City. Death was attributed to a stroke and pneumonia.

A native of Campbell County, he had been a Baptist minister for 61 years and served the Fraterville church before retiring in 1965. Other churches he led included First church, Briceville; Little Cove Creek church near Lake City; Round Rock church; and Beech Fork church.

Services were held at the Fraterville church with Henry Duncan and Bill Lamb officiating.

Tackett is survived by two sons, Bill and Conda Tackett, both of Lake City; two daughters, Mrs. Homer Braden, Lake City, and Mrs. Mart Byrge, Fraterville. His wife, Mrs. Emily Marlow Tackett, died in 1965.

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